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Gloria Molina

Second District



Yvonne B. Burke

Third District



Zev Yaroslavsky

Fourth District



Don Knabe

Fifth District



Michael D. Antonovich

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    a result of the Board of Supervisors' closed session held
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    today.]
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    [ GAVEL ]
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ASK EVERYONE TO TAKE THEIR SEATS, AND,
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    EXCUSE ME, TO-- TO GET TO THEIR SEATS AND THEN PLEASE STAND
    FOR OUR INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. THIS MORNING WE
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    WILL BE LED IN THE INVOCATION BY DR. JERRY LARSEN, SENIOR
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    MINISTER, LOS ALTOS METHODIST CHURCH IN LONG BEACH, FOLLOWED
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    BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, WHICH IS LED BY MR. JACK KLAPPER,
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    MEMBER OF SAN FERNANDO VALLEY POST NUMBER 603, JEWISH WAR
    VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES. DR. LARSEN?
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    DR. JERRY LARSEN: LET'S PRAY. CREATOR, SUSTAINER OF LIFE, SEND
    YOUR PRESENCE UPON THIS PLACE. SURROUND US WITH YOUR
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    COMPASSION AND JUSTICE AND WISDOM. BLESS THE CITIZENS OF OUR
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    COUNTY AND ESPECIALLY THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITIES THAT ARE IN
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    DISTRESS. WE PRAY FOR THEIR HELP THROUGH ACTS OF KINDNESS AND
    JUST LAWS. AND FOR THOSE OF US WHO ARE WELL OFF, GIVE US A
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    SENSE OF GRATITUDE AND A WILLINGNESS TO SHARE. WE ASK YOUR
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[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION, TUESDAY, JUNE 29,



- 1 BLESSING UPON THESE SUPERVISORS. BLESS THEM WITH YOUR WISDOM
- 2 AND HUMOR. THANKS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED HERE IN THE PAST
- 3 AND LENT THEIR INTEGRITY TO THIS PLACE AND TO US. MAY THEIR
- 4 EXAMPLE CONTINUE TO INSPIRE THE GOVERNING THAT EMANATES FROM
- 5 THESE HALLS. AMEN.

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- 7 JACK KLAPPER: PLEASE FACE THE FLAG, PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER
- 8 YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
- 9 OF OUR COUNTRY. [ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ]

- 11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: TO MY COLLEAGUES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,
- 12 IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO
- 13 REVEREND LARSEN, WHO IS THE SENIOR MINISTER, AS I SAID, OF LOS
- 14 ALTOS UNITED METHODIST IN LONG BEACH. HE EARNED HIS BACHELOR
- 15 OF ARTS DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY
- 16 NORTHRIDGE AND A DOCTORATE OF RELIGION DEGREE FROM THE
- 17 CLAREMONT SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY IN CLAREMONT. HE CURRENTLY
- 18 TEACHES A SUMMER SESSION OUT THERE IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.
- 19 HE'S MARRIED TO LINDA, IF YOU REMEMBER, HIS WIFE, LINDA, WAS
- 20 OUR APRIL EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH FROM THE LIBRARY. THEY HAVE
- 21 THREE CHILDREN AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN, AND I AM INFORMED HIM
- 22 AS WELL THIS MORNING WHERE HE IS THE SENIOR MINISTER AT LOS
- 23 ALTOS METHODIST CHURCH IN LONG BEACH IS WHERE MY WIFE AND I
- 24 WERE MARRIED SOME 36 YEARS AGO. AND SO IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO



- HAVE REVEREND LARSEN DOWN HERE, AND WE WANT TO PRESENT HIM
- 2 WITH A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 4 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. CHAIRMAN, WE WERE LED IN THE PLEDGE OF
- 5 ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING BY JACK KLAPPER OF GRANADA HILLS, WHO
- 6 IS REPRESENTING THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY POST NUMBER 603 OF THE
- 7 JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES. HE SERVED IN THE
- 8 UNITED STATES ARMY FROM 1953 TO '55, WAS IN THE 434TH REGIMENT
- 9 COMBAT TEAM, RECEIVED THE ARMY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, THE
- 10 NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. HE'S WITH METROPOLITAN LIFE
- 11 INSURANCE COMPANY, LIVED IN THE DISTRICT IN THE SAN FERNANDO
- 12 VALLEY FOR 37 YEARS, HALES ORIGINALLY FROM NEW YORK, WHERE HE
- 13 ATTENDED CITY COLLEGE OF NEW YORK. AND WE WANT TO THANK YOU
- 14 FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE THIS MORNING, JACK, AND FOR YOUR
- 15 SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY. [ APPLAUSE ]

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17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. WE WILL BEGIN THE AGENDA, PLEASE.

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- 19 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
- 20 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 8. AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
- 21 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 1-D AND 2-D.

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- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
- 24 SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



- 1 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
- 2 AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
- 5 BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 7 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10.
- 8 ON ITEM NUMBER 2, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AND THIS
- 9 ITEM WILL BE TAKEN UP WITH S-1.

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11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.

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13 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

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- 15 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 16 MOLINA, SECONDED BY THE CHAIR, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 18 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 11 THROUGH
- 19 15. ON ITEM 14, FOR THE RECORD, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO".

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- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 22 YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
- 23 SO ORDERED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ITEM 14, WHERE SUPERVISOR
- 24 MOLINA VOTES "NO".



- 1 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER, WEIGHTS AND
- 2 MEASURES, ITEM 16.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
- 5 BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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7 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: ARTS COMMISSION, ITEM 17.

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- 9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
- 10 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 12 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER. ON ITEM 18, AS
- 13 NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET, THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER
- 14 REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK.

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16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SO ORDERED.

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- 18 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, ITEMS 19
- 19 AND 20.

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- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY
- 22 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- 24 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS
- 25 21 AND 22.



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- 2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
- 3 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 5 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES, ITEMS 23
- 6 THROUGH 36.

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- 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
- 9 BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ITEMS 37 AND 38.

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- 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR
- 14 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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16 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: FIRE DEPARTMENT, ITEM 39.

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- 18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, THE CHAIR
- 19 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 21 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: FISH AND GAME COMMISSION, ITEMS 40
- 22 THROUGH 42.

- 24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY
- 25 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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- 2 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 43 THROUGH 68, I
- 3 HAVE THE FOLLOWING REQUEST. ON ITEM 53, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN
- 4 SHEET, THE DIRECTOR REQUESTS AN AMENDMENT TO THE AFFILIATION
- 5 AGREEMENT WITH CERRITOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT.

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7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.

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9 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: ON-- I'M SORRY.

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11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: IS THERE ANY OTHER...

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- 13 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: YES. ON ITEM 63, ALSO AS NOTED ON THE
- 14 GREEN SHEET, THE DIRECTOR REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE CONTINUED
- 15 ONE WEEK. ON ITEM 64, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS
- 16 THAT ITEM 64 FOR AMENDMENTS TO AGREEMENTS WITH TEMPORARY
- 17 PERSONNEL, REGISTRY AGENCY FOR AS-NEEDED MEDICAL PERSONNEL, BE
- 18 AMENDED TO REFLECT A ONE-YEAR TERM ONLY FROM JULY 1, 2004,
- 19 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2005.

- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WITH THOSE, ITEM 63 WILL BE CONTINUED FOR
- 22 ONE WEEK. WITH THAT AMENDMENT NOTED OR CHANGED TO ITEM 64, AND
- 23 WITH A REFERRAL BACK OF THE CERRITOS COLLEGE COMPONENT,
- 24 COMMUNITY COLLEGE COMPONENT, 53, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
- 25 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: ON PAGE 33, INTERNAL SERVICES, ITEM 69. 2 3 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, THE CHAIR 4 5 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. 6 7 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: MENTAL HEALTH, ITEMS 70 THROUGH 80. 8 9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR 10 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. 11 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: ON PAGE 42, PARKS AND RECREATION, ITEMS 12 13 81 AND 82. 14 15 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. 16 17 18 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 83 THROUGH 122. ON 19 ITEM 88, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. I'M SORRY... 20 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I HAVE IT REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT. 22 23 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: THAT SHOULD BE REFERRED BACK, EXCUSE ME.



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SO, ON ITEM 88, THE ITEM BE REFERRED
- 2 BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT. ON THE REMAINDER?

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- 4 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: ON ITEM 115, THAT INCLUDES THE NOTATIONS
- 5 ON THE GREEN SHEET. ON ITEM 119, THE DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTING
- 6 THAT WE INCLUDE THE ADDITIONS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET
- 7 REGARDING THE PUDDINGSTONE CHANNEL. AND THE REST ARE BEFORE
- 8 YOU.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ON THE REMAINDER AS NOTED, MOVED BY THE
- 11 CHAIR, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
- 12 SO ORDERED.

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- 14 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: ON PAGE 55, REGISTRAR RECORDER COUNTY
- 15 CLERK, ITEM 123.

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- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
- 18 BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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20 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: SANITATION DISTRICTS, 124.

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- 22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
- 23 BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



- 1 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: SHERIFF, ITEMS 125 THROUGH 134. ON ITEM
- 2 132, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR MOLINA FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH ITEM S-1.
- 3 THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

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- 5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. WITH THE HOLD ITEM ON NUMBER 132, ON
- 6 THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY THE CHAIR, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
- 7 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 9 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS, ITEMS 135
- 10 THROUGH 139. ON 135, HOLD FOR SUPERVISORS ANTONOVICH AND
- 11 KNABE. THE REMAINDER ARE BEFORE YOU.

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- 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 14 BURKE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
- 15 ORDERED.

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- 17 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION, ITEMS 140 AND
- 18 141.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
- 21 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- 23 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
- 24 REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
- 25 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF



- 1 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON
- 2 ITEM 142-A, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. ON ITEM 142-B,
- 3 HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. ITEM 142-C IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR
- 6 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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8 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: 142-D.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
- 11 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 13 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
- 14 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
- 15 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 5.

- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. BEFORE WE MOVE TO THAT, I HAVE A
- 18 SPECIAL INTRODUCTION WE'D LIKE TO MAKE, A FORMAL WELCOME TO A
- 19 NEW MEMBER OF OUR CONSULAR CORPS. AS I MENTIONED THIS MORNING,
- 20 WE'RE ONCE AGAIN WELCOMING A NEW CONSUL-GENERAL TO LOS ANGELES
- 21 COUNTY. TODAY WE ARE WELCOMING THE HONORABLE ABDULLAH AL-
- 22 HARTHI, WHO IS THE NEW CONSUL-GENERAL OF SAUDI ARABIA. HE
- 23 COMES TO US, TO LOS ANGELES FROM RIYADH, WHERE HE WAS
- 24 ASSISTANT TO THE SAUDI MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON SAUDI-
- 25 AMERICAN AND SAUDI-BRITISH AFFAIRS. CONSUL-GENERAL AL-HARTHI



- 1 HAS A BACHELORS DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND A MASTER'S
- 2 DEGREE IN DIPLOMATIC STUDIES. HE JOINED THE FOREIGN SERVICE IN
- 3 1986. LOS ANGELES IS HIS FIRST POSTING HERE IN THE UNITED
- 4 STATES. SO WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME THE CONSUL-GENERAL TO LOS
- 5 ANGELES COUNTY ALONG WITH HIS WIFE AND FOUR CHILDREN. CONSUL-
- 6 GENERAL, PLEASE ACCEPT THIS PLAQUE ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY
- 7 COLLEAGUES AND WE EXTEND A HAND OF WELCOME TO YOU. [ APPLAUSE
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- 10 CONSUL-GENERAL AL-HARTHI: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, GOOD MORNING.
- 11 I'M HONORED AND PLEASED TO BE WITH YOU TODAY AT YOUR BOARD
- 12 MEETING. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
- 13 MRS. SANDRA OSSMAN OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND GINGER FOR
- 14 INVITING ME TO BE HERE. I LOOK FORWARD TO BE WITH YOU AND WORK
- 15 WITH YOU IN FINDING NEW WAYS TO STRENGTHEN OUR MUTUAL
- 16 INTERESTS AND BUILDING COMMERCE BETWEEN OUR TWO FRIENDLY
- 17 NATIONS. I'M AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES IN
- 18 SAUDI ARABIA WITH YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

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20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

- 22 SUP. ANTONOVICH: MR. CHAIRMAN, IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY TODAY WHERE
- 23 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CAN BID FAREWELL TO THE HONORABLE LI
- 24 YIPING, DEPUTY CONSUL-GENERAL FOR THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF
- 25 CHINA, WHO WILL BE RETURNING TO CHINA IN A FEW DAYS. HE'S BEEN



- 1 POSTED HERE SINCE 2001. WE'VE APPRECIATED HIS COOPERATION OVER
- 2 THE THREE YEARS THAT HE HAS BEEN HERE WORKING WITH THE OFFICE
- 3 OF PROTOCOL ON A NUMBER OF MATTERS DURING HIS POSTING. WE LOOK
- 4 FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN IN THE FUTURE, EITHER HERE OR IN
- 5 CHINA, BUT WE WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS IN YOUR DIPLOMATIC
- 6 CAREER. PERHAPS ONE DAY WE'LL BE POSTED HERE AS THE CONSULAR
- 7 OR AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON.

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- 9 LI YIPING: THANK YOU, MR. ANTONOVICH. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMEN.
- 10 THANK YOU OTHER THREE SUPERVISORS. IT'S REALLY MY GREAT HONOR
- 11 TO BE HERE TO BE PRESENTED WITH THIS PLAQUE. WHAT A BEAUTIFUL
- 12 PLAQUE BUT I FEEL ITS WEIGHT AS THE CAREER CONSUL HAS SOON
- 13 FINISHED MY TOUR OF DUTIES IN LOS ANGELES AND RETURN TO CHINA.
- 14 YET, AS A FRIEND, WHEREVER I GO, I REMEMBER YOU, MY FRIEND,
- 15 AND LOS ANGELES. I'LL DO MY BEST TO PROMOTE BILATERAL
- 16 RELATIONS BETWEEN LOS ANGELES AND CHINESE CITIES. FINALLY,
- 17 WISH MY BEST WISHES TO YOU, YOUR FAMILY, YOUR COLLEAGUES, AND
- 18 PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES. AGAIN, THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 20 SUP. ANTONOVICH: FOR THE PAST SEVEN YEARS, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO
- 21 HONOR OUR VETERANS WITH THE REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS PROGRAM.
- 22 REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES, WHICH HAS BEEN
- 23 HELD AT ARCADIA COUNTY PARK TO HONOR AND SUPPORT EACH OF THE
- 24 MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED OUR COUNTRY. THIS EVENT WOULD
- 25 NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE HARD WORK AND DEDICATION OF OUR



- 1 MEMBERS OF THE REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS PLANNING COMMITTEE,
- 2 MANY OF THOSE WHO ARE WITH US TODAY. TODAY'S EVENT-- OR I
- 3 SHOULD SAY THIS YEAR'S EVENT, WHICH WAS HELD ON MAY 29TH, WAS
- 4 A HUGE SUCCESS WITH NEARLY 3,000 PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING THE
- 5 DAY- LONG PROGRAM. SERVICES FOR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES
- 6 WERE PRESENTED BY MORE THAN 150 AGENCIES, INCLUDING OUR COUNTY
- 7 DEPARTMENTS AND PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS. A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO
- 8 OUR ARMED FORCES BEGAN WITH A 21-GUN SALUTE AND THE PLAYING OF
- 9 OUR TAPS. SKY DIVERS ASCENDED FROM THE ALTITUDE OF 10,000 FEET
- 10 AND FLY-OVERS BY A UH-1 HUGHEY HELICOPTER AND WORLD WAR II ERA
- 11 AIRPLANES CONCLUDED THE PROGRAM. A WALL OF REMEMBRANCE FOR
- 12 VETERANS WAS ALSO CREATED, COMPLETE WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF LOVED
- 13 ONES, AMERICAN FLAGS, AND OTHER MEMENTOS. NUMEROUS VENDORS SET
- 14 UP BOOTHS AT THE PARK, OFFERING A WIDE RANGE OF DISPLAYS AND
- 15 SERVICES FROM MILITARY VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT TO FREE TETANUS
- 16 VACCINATIONS AND FREE PEDICURES AND MANICURES. ONCE AGAIN,
- 17 MANY THINKS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THIS GREAT
- 18 EVENT. I ESPECIALLY WANT TO THANK JAY GOMEZ FROM MY OFFICE FOR
- 19 HELPING TO COORDINATE THIS AS HE HAS DONE SUCCESSFULLY EACH
- 20 YEAR AND WHO IS ALSO A VETERAN AND A PURPLE HEART RECIPIENT.
- 21 FIRST, WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE COLONEL JOE SMITH, WHO IS
- 22 THE DIRECTOR OF OUR MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT
- 23 FOR HIS HELP, AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK FRITZ COLEMAN, WHO ALSO
- 24 CAME AND HAS PARTICIPATED EACH YEAR IN THIS EVENT FROM CHANNEL
- 25 4. SO, COLONEL SMITH? [ APPLAUSE ]



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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: FROM HUMAN RELATIONS, HUMAN RESOURCES, WE
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    HAVE MICHAEL HENRY AND ANN GOMEZ. [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION,
   MELINDA-- WHAT DID THEY DO, CHANGE-- WHAT HAPPENED? [ LIGHT
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   LAUGHTER ] [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: FROM PROBATION DEPARTMENT, ALBERTA ESTRADA. [
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   APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: KATHY RODRIGUEZ FROM CAMEAL REAL TRUCKING AND
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    BUSINESS. [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: RON HANSEL, DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS. [
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   APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: RUBEN TREO FROM EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT
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    DEPARTMENT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA. [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND FROM MY OFFICE IN THE SAN DIMAS, CINDY
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    DUARTE, OUR SECRETARY. [ APPLAUSE ]
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SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND WHO I MARRIED MANY, MANY YEARS AGO TO
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    WONDERFUL DENNIS, MANUEL ALAMEDA, EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT
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    DEPARTMENT. [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: MARGARITA AVE, WORK SOURCE CALIFORNIA. [
   APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: SO, COLONEL SMITH, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A
    COUPLE WORDS?
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    COLONEL JOE SMITH: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. ON BEHALF OF ALL OF
    THE FOLKS WHO HELPED US AND WITHOUT WHOSE HELP THIS WOULD HAVE
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    BEEN IMPOSSIBLE, I'M SURE I ACCEPT THIS ON THEIR BEHALF, AS DO
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    MY COLLEAGUES THAT ARE HERE AT THE PODIUM. WE HAD A TREMENDOUS
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    GROUNDSWELL OF SUPPORT THIS YEAR. IT WAS A TERRIFIC EVENT, AND
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    I KNOW THE VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES CERTAINLY APPRECIATE
    THE SUPPORT THAT YOU GIVE THEM, SUPERVISOR, AS WELL AS THE
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    OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FROM ALL OF
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    US. [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SPEAKER: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, ON TOP OF THE-- ON BEHALF OF
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    THE PLANNING COMMITTEE AND MYSELF, WE'D LIKE TO OFFER YOU A
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    VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US THE SEVENTH OPPORTUNITY
    TO PUT THIS EVENT TOGETHER FOR YOU.
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SUP. ANTONOVICH: I LOOK FORWARD TO IT EVERY YEAR.

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3 SPEAKER: THANK YOU.

- 5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE TWO MEMBERS
- 6 FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WHO INVOLVED
- 7 A 12-YEAR-OLD MURDER CASE THAT MANY OF YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH
- 8 AND HAVING READ ABOUT IT DURING THE YEARS. WITH US TODAY ARE
- 9 SHERIFF DETECTIVE STEPHEN DAVIS AND THOMAS KERFOOT, WHO
- 10 ASSISTED IN THE 1992 UNSOLVED MURDER CASE OF KIMBERLY
- 11 PANDELIOS OF NORTHRIDGE IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. KIMBERLY
- 12 WAS LAST SEEN IN FEBRUARY 27TH, 1992, WHEN SHE WENT TO MEET A
- 13 PHOTOGRAPHER FOR A PHOTO SHOOT. HER CAR WAS FOUND THAT SAME
- 14 NIGHT ON FIRE ON ANGELES CREST HIGHWAY AND, ON MARCH 3RD,
- 15 1993, HER REMAINS WERE LOCATED NEAR THE MONTE CRYSTAL CAMP
- 16 GROUNDS. THE INVESTIGATION WAS THEN ASSUMED BY DETECTIVES
- 17 DAVIS AND KERFOOT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
- 18 DEPARTMENT HOMICIDE BUREAU UNSOLVED UNIT. INFORMATION FROM
- 19 WITNESSES, INTERVIEWS, AND PHONE RECORDS DISCOVERED BY THE LOS
- 20 ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 1992 IDENTIFIED DAVID RAIDMAKER
- 21 AS THE SUSPECT. DAVID RAIDMAKER, A REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER,
- 22 WAS KNOWN TO HAVE USED FICTITIOUS NAMES AND SOLICITED MODELS
- 23 THROUGH PERSONNEL ADS PLACED IN WEEKLY PUBLICATIONS. BASED ON
- 24 THE EVIDENCE PROVIDED BY THE DETECTIVES, THE LOS ANGELES
- 25 COUNTY GRAND JURY ISSUED AN INDICTMENT CHARGING DAVID WITH THE



- 1 MURDER OF KIMBERLY PANDELIOS. THANKS TO THEIR HARD WORK AND
- 2 DETERMINATION, AN UNSOLVED MURDER CASE WAS FINALLY PUT TO REST
- 3 AND A SEX OFFENDER WAS TAKEN OFF THE STREETS. JOINING US THIS
- 4 MORNING IS CAPTAIN RAY PEAVY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 5 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SO FIRST TO STEPHEN. [ APPLAUSE ]

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TOM? [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 9 SPEAKER: THANK YOU, MR. ANTONOVICH. WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE
- 10 THE RECOGNITION. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NOW WE HAVE 16-WEEK-OLD LITTLE BOY NAMED
- 13 SPARKY, A LITTLE TERRIER MIX, WHO'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. SO
- 14 ANYBODY'D LIKE LITTLE SPARKY? [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 16 SUP. ANTONOVICH: SEE ANYBODY OUT THERE, SPARKY? SO YOU CAN
- 17 ADOPT SPARKY BY CALLING THE AREA CODE (562) 728-4644 OR
- 18 ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT SPARKY, HE'D
- 19 LOVE TO GO HOME WITH YOU. SEE ANYBODY OUT THERE? VERY
- 20 INQUISITIVE.

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- 22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY
- 23 ITEMS? SUPERVISOR BURKE?



- 1 SUP. BURKE: I'D LIKE TO CALL TIM GALLAGHER FORWARD. WELL,
- 2 WE'RE PLEASED BUT WE'RE SORT OF SAD TO BE ABLE TO ANNOUNCE
- 3 THAT TIM GALLAGHER, WHO HAS BEEN DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND
- 4 RECREATION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WHO HAD NEARLY 30
- 5 YEARS AS A PARK AND RECREATION PROFESSIONAL AND, UNDER OUR
- 6 GUIDANCE, HAS LED THE LARGEST-- AND UNDER HIS GUIDANCE, HE HAS
- 7 LED THE LARGEST PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT IN THE UNITED
- 8 STATES. WE'RE VERY SORRY TO HEAR THAT HE HAS DECIDED TO RETIRE
- 9 AND, UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP, HE REBUILT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL IN
- 10 NINE MONTHS, DEVELOPED A STRATEGIC PLAN, EXPANDED RECREATION
- 11 PROGRAMS, PARTICULARLY THE HEALTHY PARKS PROGRAM, WHICH WAS
- 12 INITIATED AND WAS VERY, VERY SUCCESSFUL. HE ALSO HAD THE
- 13 JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAM, INSTITUTED THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PARKS
- 14 SUMMIT WHERE, FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE COUNTY'S 88 CITIES AND
- 15 OTHER PARK PROVIDER AGENCIES WERE INVITED TO COME TOGETHER TO
- 16 SHARE RESOURCES. HE ALSO INITIATED THE FIRST UPDATE IN NEARLY
- 17 14 YEARS TO TITLE 21 SUBDIVISION OF THE QUIMBY ORDINANCE FOR
- 18 RESIDENTIAL DENSITY FIGURES AND LAND VALUES FOR PARK PLANNING
- 19 AREAS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY. THIS WILL HELP US
- 20 ACQUIRE MORE PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY. HE
- 21 WILL CONTINUE HIS LEGISLATIVE WORK STATEWIDE, REPRESENTING THE
- 22 CALIFORNIA PARK AND RECREATION SOCIETY AS ITS LEGISLATIVE
- 23 CHAIR. IT IS CERTAINLY WITH MIXED EMOTION THAT WE RECOGNIZE
- 24 TIM GALLAGHER TODAY ON HIS UPCOMING RETIREMENT FROM THE
- 25 COUNTY. HIS CONTRIBUTION AND HIS LEADERSHIP OVER THE LAST TWO



- 1 AND A HALF YEARS HAS REALLY MADE AN IMPACT ON OUR PARK SYSTEM.
- 2 HE WILL BE MISSED AND WE EXTEND OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION TO
- 3 YOU AND WITH THE BEST FOR YOUR RETIREMENT. AND HE'S JOINED BY
- 4 HIS WIFE, WHO'S BEEN A REAL PARTNER. SHE COMES OUT TO ALL OF
- 5 OUR EVENTS. [ APPLAUSE ]

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7 SUP. BURKE: I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU TO SAY A WORD.

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- 9 TIM GALLAGHER: I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY THANKS FOR LETTING ME GET
- 10 OUT OF HERE WITHOUT A RETROACTIVE CONTRACT. IT MADE MY LIFE
- 11 EASIER BUT, IN ALL HONESTY, I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF
- 12 SUPERVISORS, WHICH I THINK YOU HEAR QUITE OFTEN, BUT ALL THE
- 13 THINGS THAT SUPERVISOR BURKE MENTIONED WERE ONLY POSSIBLE
- 14 BECAUSE WE HAD BOARD SUPPORT ON ALL OF THOSE AND THE
- 15 DEPARTMENT WAS ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD, EVEN UP TO THE VERY LAST
- 16 MOMENT HERE WITH SOME OF OUR PROGRAMS. I ALSO WANT TO
- 17 INTRODUCE MY WIFE, ROBIN, WHO SUPERVISOR BRIEFLY INTRODUCED.
- 18 ROBIN HAS BEEN MY SUPPORT HERE AND HELPED ME MAKE IT THROUGH.
- 19 SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO THE C.A.O. AND TO THE BOARD OF
- 20 SUPERVISORS. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 22 SUP. BURKE: WE'D LIKE TO ASK TIM GALLAGHER TO STAY UP HERE
- 23 BECAUSE JULY IS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH. WHILE OUR PARKS
- 24 ARE PLACES FOR RECREATION ALL YEAR, DURING THE MONTH OF JULY,
- 25 WE LIKE TO ESPECIALLY ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO VISIT THEIR LOCAL



- 1 PARK OR AQUATIC CENTER OR MAYBE A MORE DISTANT BOTANICAL
- 2 GARDEN, NATURAL AREA OR REGIONAL PARK WITH INTERESTING
- 3 FEATURES TO SEE WHAT IS AVAILABLE FOR THEIR LEISURE. AND IT'S
- 4 A WONDERFUL TIME TO ENJOY IT. THIS YEAR, THE PARKS HAVE ADDED
- 5 MORE PROGRAMS INTENDED TO IMPROVE HEALTH AND HELP RESIDENTS
- 6 LIVE A MORE ACTIVE LIFESTYLE. SO, PLEASE, AS THIS BOARD
- 7 DECLARES JULY AS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH IN LOS ANGELES
- 8 COUNTY, BE SURE TO TAKE YOUR FAMILY AND EXPERIENCE WHAT IS
- 9 THEIRS FOR THE ASKING, BECAUSE IT IS A WONDERFUL TIME TO ENJOY
- 10 THE PARK OF YOUR CHOICE.

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- 12 TIM GALLAGHER: TO FACILITATE THE TRANSITION, LET ME INTRODUCE
- 13 THE CHIEF DEPUTY RUSS GUINEA FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND
- 14 RECREATION. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 16 RUSS GUINEA: THANK YOU, TIM. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE,
- 17 FOR THIS PRESENTATION. I THINK WE ALL KNOW THE IMPORTANCE, THE
- 18 VITAL IMPORTANCE OF PARK AND RECREATION PROGRAMS TO THE HEALTH
- 19 OF OUR COMMUNITY AND THE REAL IMPORTANCE IN CREATING COMMUNITY
- 20 THROUGH OUR PEOPLE, PARKS, AND OUR PROGRAMS. AND WE ENJOY
- 21 TREMENDOUSLY STRONG SUPPORT FROM THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
- 22 OUR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND FOR OUR PROGRAMS AND
- 23 WE GREATLY APPRECIATE THAT. WE'RE GOING TO MISS OUR DIRECTOR.
- 24 WE'RE SORRY HE'S LEAVING BUT I WANT TO ASSURE YOU ON THE BOARD
- 25 AND THOSE OF YOU IN THE COMMUNITY, YOU HAVE MY 100% COMMITMENT



- 1 AND THE COMMITMENT OF EVERY EMPLOYEE IN THIS DEPARTMENT TO
- 2 CARRY ON THE PROGRAMS THAT TIM HAS INITIATED, THE CHANGES HE'S
- 3 MADE AND TO MOVE OUR DEPARTMENT FORWARD INTO THE 21ST CENTURY.
- 4 SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 6 SUP. BURKE: AND NOW I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE ACADEMIC BOWL
- 7 2004 CHAMPIONSHIPS, AND... [ APPLAUSE ]

- 9 SUP. BURKE: ...WE'RE VERY PLEASED. WE HAVE TEAM MEMBERS WHO
- 10 WE'RE GOING TO BE INTRODUCING BUT LET ME GIVE A LITTLE BIT OF
- 11 INTRODUCTION HERE. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION
- 12 DIVISION OF JUVENILE COURT AND COMMUNITY SCHOOLS HELD LAST
- 13 WEEK ITS 2004 ACADEMIC DECATHLON-TYPE COMPETITION KNOWN AS A
- 14 ACADEMIC BOWL. IT WAS CONDUCTED BY OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 15 BOARD OF EDUCATION IN COOPERATION WITH THE PROBATION
- 16 DEPARTMENT AND THIS IS A RIGOROUS SCHOLASTIC COMPETITION BASED
- 17 ON THE CALIFORNIA CURRICULUM STANDARDS IN CORE ACADEMIC
- 18 SUBJECTS. THE PROGRAM PROMOTES ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, SELF-
- 19 ASSURANCE AND TEAMWORK AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE AT RISK AND
- 20 WHO ARE TYPICALLY LEFT OUT OF MAINSTREAM ACADEMIC CONTESTS.
- 21 STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOLS LOCATED AT THE 19 JUVENILE PROBATION
- 22 CAMPS, HALLS, AND VARIOUS GROUP HOMES PREPARED OUR LOCAL
- 23 COMPETITION IN PHYSICS, ASTRONOMY, CHEMISTRY, EARTH SCIENCE,
- 24 BIOLOGY, AND THE STUDY OF THE PLANET MARS. WHILE THE TEAMS AT
- 25 THE THREE JUVENILE HALLS COMPETED AMONG THEMSELVES, THE



- 1 REMAINING FOUR HIGHEST SCORING SCHOOL TEAMS EARNED THE
- 2 OPPORTUNITY TO MATCH WITS AT THE ACADEMIC BOWL FINAL FOUR HELD
- 3 ON THE CAMPUS OF LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY ON WEDNESDAY,
- 4 JUNE 23RD. THIS FAST-PACED, HIGHLY COMPETITIVE SERIES OF
- 5 ACADEMIC EVENTS INCLUDED THE SUPER QUIZ WHICH WAS A "JEOPARDY"
- 6 STYLE, TESTING THE STUDENTS' KNOWLEDGE AND SYNTHESIS OF
- 7 INFORMATION SUCH AS ELEMENTS OF THE ATMOSPHERE OF MARS,
- 8 NEWTON'S SECOND LAW OF PHYSICS AND THE VARIOUS DEFINITIONS OF
- 9 ENTROPY AND THEIR INTERRELATIONSHIP AND INTERACTIVE
- 10 COMPUTERIZED POWERPOINT PRESENTATION ON HOW THE TEAM WOULD
- 11 COLONIZE MARS AND, FINALLY, A COLLEGE-STYLE DEBATE ON THE PROS
- 12 AND CONS OF NASA SPENDING TAX DOLLARS ON SPACE EXPLORATION.
- 13 WITH US TODAY ARE FIVE VERY BRIGHT STUDENTS REPRESENTING CAMP
- 14 VERNON KIRKPATRICK, THE 2004 ACADEMIC BOWL WINNER, AND I'D
- 15 LIKE TO... [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 17 SUP. BURKE: ... REPRESENT THEM. FIRST, LET ME MAKE A
- 18 PRESENTATION TO THE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM AND WHO'S GOING TO COME
- 19 UP TO ACCEPT THE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP? MR. DAVIS. TEAM COACH. AND
- 20 LET ME INTRODUCE EVERYONE, THEN. ARE YOU GOING TO SPEAK? OKAY.
- 21 MARSHA WATKINS, PRINCIPAL OF THE 2004 ACADEMIC BOWL
- 22 CHAMPIONSHIP CAMP KILPATRICK. [ APPLAUSE ]

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24 SUP. BURKE: ROD DAVIS, COACH. [ APPLAUSE ]



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SUP. BURKE: ERNESTO HERNANDEZ, ALTERNATE. [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. BURKE: CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. BURKE: TEAM MEMBER, CI PREMIERA. NOW, YOU'RE GOING TO
    HAVE TO TELL ME HOW TO PRONOUNCE THAT! ( INAUDIBLE )
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    SUP. BURKE: CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. TO DAVID COLESON, TEAM
   MEMBER. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. BURKE: MARCUS SPEARS, TEAM MEMBER. [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. BURKE: NICOLAS MACKIE, TEAM MEMBER. [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. BURKE: LOUIS RODRIGUEZ, TEAM MEMBER. [ CHEERS AND
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    APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. BURKE: I'D LIKE TO ASK THE COACH TO COME FORWARD AND THEN
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    I'M GOING TO ASK, FROM THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, WHERE...
20
    OKAY.
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    ROD DAVIS: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE. IT'S THE ACADEMIC BOWL
23
    IS A MARVELOUS OPPORTUNITY FOR THESE YOUNG PEOPLE TO SHOW WHAT
    THEY KNOW AND ARE CAPABLE OF DOING. THEY SHOW THAT THEY WERE
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    FULLY CAPABLE OF NOT JUST BEING GOOD STUDENTS BUT BEING GREAT
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- 1 STUDENTS. SO, ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF
- 2 EDUCATION, OUR BOARD OF EDUCATION SUPERINTENDENT ROBLIS,
- 3 ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT BARNER, ALL OF THE TEACHERS, SUPPORT
- 4 STAFF AND ADMINISTRATORS, WE THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE AND
- 5 THIS BOARD, FOR THE COUNTYWIDE COMMUNITY SUPPORT THAT YOU'VE
- 6 CREATED FOR THE PROGRAMS. THE PROGRAMS ARE ON DISPLAY DOWN ON
- 7 THE SECOND FLOOR, IF ANY OF THE AUDIENCE OR THE STAFF OR BOARD
- 8 WOULD LIKE TO GO DOWN AND SEE EXACTLY THE KIND OF ENRICHING
- 9 PROGRAM THAT THESE STUDENTS RECEIVE. SO WE THANK YOU BECAUSE
- 10 THESE STUDENTS NOW KNOW, MORE THAN EVER BEFORE, THAT THEY ARE
- 11 FULLY CAPABLE, THAT THEY CAN DO IT, AND THEY CAN GET THERE
- 12 FROM HERE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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14 SUP. BURKE: THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

16 SPEAKER: I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- 17 FOR THE SUPPORT OF OUR CAMP PROGRAM AND ALSO TO ACKNOWLEDGE MY
- 18 PARTNER, MR. SHUMSKY, BECAUSE IT REALLY IS A TEAM EFFORT AND A
- 19 PARTNERSHIP TO WORK TOGETHER BECAUSE, IN THE AFTERNOON AND THE
- 20 EVENINGS, WE WORK WITH PROBATION SO THAT THEY CAN STUDY HARD
- 21 AND MAKE IT. BUT ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I JUST WANT TO
- 22 HIGHLIGHT IS THAT, OFTENTIMES, THE IMAGE OF OUR STUDENTS IN
- 23 CAMP IS ONE THAT IS NOT POSITIVE BUT THIS IS JUST ONE EXAMPLE
- 24 OF WHAT WE DO FOR OUR KIDS EVERY DAY AND IT REALLY IS AN HONOR
- 25 TO RECOGNIZE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, OUR TEACHERS, OUR PRINCIPALS,



- 1 THE STAFF AT PROBATION TO REALLY SHOW WHAT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE
- 2 CAN DO EVERY DAY. AND I CAN'T GO WITHOUT ACKNOWLEDGING TWO
- 3 SPECIAL WOMEN WHO HAVE MADE THE ACADEMIC BOWL A PRIORITY OF
- 4 THEIR WORK, AND THAT'S MISS CISNEROS AND JANET ADIEU, WHO ARE
- 5 BACK THERE, WHO COORDINATE ALL THE LOGISTICS OF MAKING THIS
- 6 HAPPEN AT 19 CAMPS. I WANT THANK THEM AND, AGAIN, THE GREAT
- 7 WORK AND PARTNERSHIP WITH MR. SHUMSKY AND HIS DEPARTMENT.
- 8 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 10 RICHARD SHUMSKY: ON BEHALF OF THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, IT'S
- 11 TERRIFIC TO HAVE DRS. ROBLIS AND LAKO AS A PARTNER. THE KIDS
- 12 YOU SEE BEHIND ME ARE ALL GOING TO COLLEGE. THEY'RE ALL GOING
- 13 TO BE SUCCESSFUL AND THIS DAY MARKS A NEW START. THANK YOU SO
- 14 MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 16 SPEAKER: AND ON BEHALF OF THE ACADEMIC BOWL COMMITTEE, WE'D
- 17 LIKE TO PRESENT EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH
- 18 OUR T-SHIRTS THAT WERE THE PRODUCT OF A STUDENT ART CONTEST,
- 19 SO THIS EVENT WAS TRULY A STUDENT-DRIVEN, STUDENT-MOTIVATED
- 20 EVENT. AND WE THANK YOU FOR THE SUPPORT THAT YOU'VE PROVIDED
- 21 US. THANK YOU.

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23 SUP. BURKE: THANK YOU. VERY IMPRESSIVE. [ APPLAUSE ]



1 SUP. BURKE: OKAY. MAYBE WE CAN GET A BIG PICTURE. THAT

2 CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ZEV, DO YOU HAVE ANY? IF I COULD HAVE YOUR
- 5 ATTENTION, PLEASE. NOW I'D LIKE TO CALL UP ROBERT HERNANDEZ
- 6 AND ROBERT FOOTE, PLEASE. ON THE MORNING OF MARCH 2ND, 2004,
- 7 ROBERT HERNANDEZ AND ROBERT FOOTE WITNESSED A VEHICLE WITH TWO
- 8 PASSENGERS CRASH THROUGH A RAILING INTO A STORM DRAIN OF
- 9 MOVING WATER IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF WHITTIER. AS THE
- 10 VEHICLE CRASHED AND LANDED ON ITS SIDE INSIDE THE SORENSEN
- 11 DRAIN, ONE OF THE VICTIMS WAS SWEPT DOWNSTREAM. THE CALIFORNIA
- 12 HIGHWAY PATROL AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT,
- 13 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO THE RESCUE CALL. RESCUE
- 14 POINTS WERE IN THE PROCESS OF DEPLOYMENT WHEN A REPORT WAS
- 15 RECEIVED FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THAT TWO CITIZENS HAD
- 16 SUCCESSFULLY PULLED THE VICTIM TO SAFETY. ROBERT HERNANDEZ AND
- 17 ROBERT FOOTE HAD LOCATED THE VICTIM IN THE DARK, PULLED HIM
- 18 OUT OF THE WATER DOWNSTREAM FROM WHERE THE VEHICLE CRASH
- 19 OCCURRED. SO, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND MY
- 20 COLLEAGUES AND THAT HEALTHY VICTIM, WE WANT TO SAY A HEARTFELT
- 21 THANKS ON BEHALF OF ALL THE CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTY FOR A JOB
- 22 WELL DONE AND AN INCREDIBLE ACT OF BRAVERY. THANK YOU. [
- 23 APPLAUSE ]



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, DO YOU WANT TO BEGIN
- 2 WITH YOUR SPECIALS? OUR SET ITEM DOESN'T START UNTIL 11:00, SO
- 3 WE HAVE A FEW MINUTES.

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- 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH: LET ME FIRST MOVE THAT WE MOVE AN ADJOURNMENT
- 6 THE MEMORY OF RODNEY... [ GAVEL ]

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8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: COULD WE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION, PLEASE?

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ...ROD ROOD, MANY OF US WORKED WITH OVER THE
- 11 YEARS, WAS INVOLVED WITH THE SUCCESSFUL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE THAT
- 12 WE HAD WITH THE BRINGING THE OLYMPICS TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
- 13 HE WAS A RESIDENT OF LA CANADA AND ALSO ACTIVE IN THE PRIVATE
- 14 SECTOR. HE WAS EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF ARCO. HE LEAVES HIS
- 15 WIFE OF 64 YEARS, MARGARET ANN, AND THEIR TWO SONS, TWO
- 16 BROTHERS AND A SISTER. AND ALSO MOVE IN MEMORY OF KIM SUNG
- 17 LEAD, WHO WAS THE 33-YEAR-OLD SOUTH KOREAN WHO WAS BRUTALLY
- 18 MURDERED ON JUNE 22ND BY A GROUP OF TERRORISTS, EXTREMIST
- 19 ISLAMIC MILITANTS. HE WORKED FOR THE GHANA GENERAL TRADING
- 20 COMPANY THAT WAS SUPPLYING THE UNITED STATES MILITARY IN IRAQ
- 21 WITH SUPPLIES. THOSE ARE MY TWO ADJOURNMENTS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND ON ITEM NUMBER 142-A, I HAVE A SUBSTITUTE
- 2 MOTION AND WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE IS THE ORIGINAL MOTION WAS
- 3 CONCERNED THAT THE GOVERNOR WAS GOING TO REPEAL THE HAYDEN
- 4 BILL. THAT WAS THE LEGISLATION WHICH REQUIRES SHELTERS TO HOLD
- 5 ALL ANIMALS FOR FOUR TO SIX DAYS PRIOR TO EUTHANASIA. THE
- 6 HAYDEN BILL ALSO HAD IMPORTANT PROTECTIONS FOR ANIMALS. WELL,
- 7 THE GOVERNOR IS NOW SUPPORTING THAT AND THE MOTION WOULD BE
- 8 THAT WE SEND A LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR THANKING HIM FOR HIS
- 9 POSITIVE RESPONSE TO THE RESIDENTS OF CALIFORNIA AND FOR HIS
- 10 CONCERN FOR ANIMAL WELFARE.

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- 12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. ON THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION, MOVED BY
- 13 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR WOULD SECOND. WITHOUT
- 14 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 16 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ON ITEM 142-B, THAT IS THE PROPOSAL THAT--
- 17 REQUESTING A-- THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH GOING OUT WITH THE
- 18 SERIOUS PROBLEM THAT WE NOW HAVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WITH
- 19 THE WEST NILE VIRUS THAT IS AFFECTING SOME OF OUR RESIDENTS
- 20 AND THIS WOULD BE AN INFORMATION CAMPAIGN TO ENSURE THAT WE
- 21 WOULD BE ABLE TO ASSIST IN ERADICATING THOSE MOSQUITOES THAT
- 22 ARE CAUSING PART OF THIS PROBLEM.

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24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU HELD THIS ITEM.



1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I HAVE AN AMENDING MOTION, AS SOON AS I GET

2 IT.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I-- I JUST-- OKAY. GO AHEAD.

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- 6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I HAVE IT. IN ADDITION TO WRITTEN
- 7 INFORMATION SHARED WITH COUNTY AND CITY PARKS PERSONNEL
- 8 REGARDING WEST NILE VIRUS, A PROGRAM OF IN-SERVICE TRAINING
- 9 FOR THESE STAFF WOULD FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE COUNTY'S RESPONSE
- 10 TO THIS IMPORTANT PUBLIC HEALTH THREAT. I, THEREFORE, MOVE, AS
- 11 AN AMENDMENT TO MR. ANTONOVICH'S MOTION, THAT THE PUBLIC
- 12 HEALTH DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES IN
- 13 CONJUNCTION WITH THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION AND
- 14 APPROPRIATE COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICTS ORGANIZE A
- 15 TRAINING PROGRAM ON THE SUBJECT OF WEST NILE VIRUS. THE
- 16 TRAINING SHOULD BE PROVIDED IN THE NEAR FUTURE AT APPROPRIATE
- 17 LOCATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ORIENTING KEY PERSONNEL OF PUBLIC
- 18 PARKS AND OTHER OUTDOOR RECREATION FACILITIES TO THE DISEASE
- 19 AND PROVIDING DIRECTION ON MEASURES THAT CAN BE TAKEN TO
- 20 REDUCE THE THREAT OF THE DISEASE TO COUNTY RESIDENTS USING
- 21 THESE FACILITIES.

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23 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THAT'S FINE, MR. CHAIRMAN.



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. AND THE ONLY THING I WOULD ADD IS,
- 2 ZEV AND MIKE, IF YOU DON'T MIND, A NUMBER OF OUR CITIES
- 3 OPERATE THEIR OWN INDEPENDENT PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENTS
- 4 AND I THINK IT WOULD BE PRUDENT IF WE WERE TO EXTEND AN
- 5 INVITATION TO THOSE PARKS AND REC DEPARTMENTS FOR IN-SERVICE
- 6 TRAINING AS WELL AS IT RELATES TO THE VIRUS. SO IF I COULD
- 7 MAKE THAT FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.

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9 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THAT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE.

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- 11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S MOTION, AS AMENDED
- 12 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND SUPERVISOR KNABE, MYSELF,
- 13 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. ITEM NUMBER 140--
- 16 EXCUSE ME, 135, THIS IS A PROPOSAL THAT IMPOSES A TAX AND THE
- 17 ONLY REASON THAT THIS IS BEING CONSIDERED WAS THAT THE 9-1-1
- 18 PHONE TAX WAS CHOSEN BECAUSE OF-- IT SHOWED THAT IT WOULD POLL
- 19 VERY SUCCESSFUL IF IT WAS ON THE BALLOT, ACCORDING TO THE
- 20 CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION. RIGHT NOW, MOBILE AND
- 21 COMMERCIAL PHONE USERS WILL BE TAXED A MINIMUM OF 3% VERSUS A
- 22 CAP OF 50 CENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL TELEPHONE CUSTOMERS, WHICH IS
- 23 BASICALLY UNFAIR. TOBACCO EDUCATION PROGRAMS WILL BE
- 24 RESTRICTED OR WOULD BE, POSSIBLY, ELIMINATED. 9-1-1 IS
- 25 ANTICIPATED TO GENERATE ABOUT \$550 MILLION; HOWEVER, DUE TO



- 1 THE HIGH COST TO USE CELL PHONES, IT MAY MINIMIZE THE NUMBER
- 2 OF RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES THAT WILL BE ABLE TO AFFORD TO USE
- 3 THOSE CELL PHONES, WHILE MOBILE AND COMMERCIAL PHONE USERS
- 4 WILL BE TAXED AN ADDITIONAL 3% VERSUS A CAP OF 50 CENTS FOR
- 5 RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS. IT'S, IN MY OPINION, UNFAIR. IT
- 6 ADVERSELY IMPACTS THE PRIVATE SECTOR. OVER 13 YEARS AGO, PROP
- 7 99, WHICH TOBACCO FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT GENERATED OVER \$30
- 8 MILLION, WERE ALLOCATED TO CALIFORNIA FOR TRAUMA SERVICES.
- 9 SINCE THEN, ONLY 50% OF THOSE DOLLARS HAVE BEEN RELOCATED FOR
- 10 TRAUMA CARE. THE OTHER 50% HAS BEEN RELOCATED TO OTHER
- 11 HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS. ONE OF THE IMPORTANT FACTORS IS THAT THE
- 12 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WOULD LOSE CONTROL OF LOCAL FUNDS, SUCH
- 13 AS THE MADDY EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND, WHICH IS NEARLY \$9
- 14 MILLION, AND PROP 99 FUNDS, WHICH ARE \$9 MILLION. ALSO, THE
- 15 TOBACCO EDUCATION PROGRAMS WOULD BE RESTRICTED DUE TO THE
- 16 ELIMINATION OF TOBACCO FUNDS IF THIS PROPOSAL WOULD BE PASSED
- 17 BY THE VOTERS. SO I WOULD BE OPPOSED TO THIS MEASURE, MR.
- 18 CHAIRMAN.

- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YEAH. I, IN THE SAME VAIN, I JUST ASKED OUR
- 21 C.A.O. DAVID? WHY ARE THE TRANSFERS OF THE MADDY FUNDS AND
- 22 PROP 99 FUNDS GOING TO THE STATE? I MEAN, WE'VE DONE A PRETTY
- 23 GOOD JOB OF-- EFFECTIVE JOB IN ALLOCATING THESE RESOURCES BUT
- 24 IT'S A SIGNIFICANT HIT FOR US. CAN YOU SHARE WITH US THE



- 1 NUMBERS, THE DOLLARS THAT, AS A RESULT OF THIS INITIATIVE,
- 2 WOULD GO BACK TO STATE?

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- 4 C.A.O. JANSSEN: MR. CHAIRMAN, WE REALLY DON'T KNOW WHY THEY
- 5 DID IT BUT THE PROPOSAL IS TO PULL THE FUNDS UP STATEWIDE AND
- 6 THERE IS A PROCESS THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO REQUEST AND HAVE THE
- 7 MONEY RETURNED AND ADMINISTERED BY THE COUNTY. THAT IS
- 8 INCLUDED IN THE INITIATIVE BUT IT DOES PULL THEM TO THE STATE
- 9 FIRST AND I CAN'T HONESTLY ANSWER WHAT THE INTENT OF THEIR
- 10 DOING THAT IS.

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- 12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: AND IN THE 9-1-1 DISPATCH, CAN ANY OF THOSE
- 13 FUNDS BE USED FOR ADDITIONAL STAFFING?

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15 C.A.O. JANSSEN: DON'T BELIEVE SO.

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- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YEAH, IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING, JUST FOR
- 18 EQUIPMENT COSTS, AS WELL, TOO. AND THEN, WITHIN THE CONFINES
- 19 OF THAT INITIATIVE, ALSO, YOU KNOW, WHAT ASSURANCES DO WE HAVE
- 20 OR DOES THE PUBLIC HAVE THAT THE MONEY GOES WHERE IT'S NEEDED
- 21 THE MOST? AND HOW TIGHT IS IT?

- 23 C.A.O. JANSSEN: THERE IS AN ANTI-SUPPLANTING PROVISION IN IT.
- 24 IT'S WRITTEN PRETTY TIGHTLY. WE'RE COMFORTABLE THAT IT DOES



- 1 CONTROL THE USE OF THE MONEY BUT THAT'S ALWAYS AN ISSUE IN AN
- 2 INITIATIVE, AS YOU KNOW.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. I HAVE A COUPLE PEOPLE SIGNED UP TO
- 5 SPEAK. MICHAEL PFEIFFER AND ROBERT DONIN AND DEBRA WARD.

- 7 MICHAEL PFEIFFER: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF
- 8 THE BOARD OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M MIKE PFEIFFER, I SERVE
- 9 AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S
- 10 ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND AND WE WISH TO BE ON
- 11 RECORD IN SUPPORTING THIS PARTICULAR INITIATIVE AND REQUEST,
- 12 AS IS REQUESTED BY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF
- 13 THIS COUNTY FOR THIS BOARD, TO ENDORSE THIS INITIATIVE.
- 14 CALIFORNIA'S EMERGENCY AND TRAUMA SYSTEM IS OVERWHELMED,
- 15 THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT THAT. IT'S UNDER-FUNDED AND NO LONGER
- 16 ABLE TO PROVIDE LIFESAVING CARE. IN THE LAST DECADE, OVER 60
- 17 HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOMS AND TRAUMA CENTERS HAVE CLOSED. MANY
- 18 MORE HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOMS AND TRAUMA CENTERS IN CALIFORNIA
- 19 WILL CLOSE BASED UPON SOME OF THE PROJECTIONS WE'VE SEEN. IF
- 20 THESE FACILITIES CLOSE, CHILDREN, FAMILIES, AND SENIORS WILL
- 21 LOSE ACCESS TO DOCTORS, NURSES, CRITICAL MEDICAL EQUIPMENT,
- 22 MEDICINES AND ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY CARE. FEWER HOSPITALS AND
- 23 EMERGENCY ROOMS MEAN LONGER AMBULANCE RIDES FOR VICTIMS OF
- 24 HEART ATTACK, STROKES, CAR ACCIDENTS, AND OTHER MEDICAL
- 25 EMERGENCIES. FOR MANY EMERGENCY PATIENTS, RAPID RESPONSE



- 1 TREATMENT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH. THIS
- 2 INITIATIVE WILL ENSURE THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE IS AVAILABLE
- 3 WHEN OUR FAMILIES NEED IT MOST. IT WILL KEEP LOCAL HOSPITALS,
- 4 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS AND TRAUMA CENTERS OPEN IN COMMUNITIES
- 5 THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA. IT WILL UPGRADE OUR 9-1-1 EMERGENCY
- 6 TELEPHONE SYSTEM. IT PROVIDES EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING TO
- 7 FIREFIGHTERS AND PARAMEDICS. IT SUPPORTS LOCAL HEALTH CLINICS
- 8 SO OUR EMERGENCY ROOMS AND TRAUMA CENTERS ARE RESERVED FOR
- 9 TRUE EMERGENCIES. WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR ENDORSEMENT OF
- 10 THIS INITIATIVE. THANK YOU.

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12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. MR. DONIN?

- 14 ROBERT DONIN: GOOD MORNING MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS. MY NAME
- 15 IS ROBERT DONIN. AS A LONG-TIME HEALTHCARE AND TOBACCO CONTROL
- 16 ADVOCATE AND ALSO ON BEHALF OF MY ORGANIZATION, TRIPACK, I ASK
- 17 THAT YOU SUPPORT THE E.M.S. RECOMMENDATION BEFORE YOU. I ASK
- 18 AND URGE THAT YOU SUPPORT AND ENDORSE THIS EMERGENCY AND
- 19 MEDICAL SERVICES INITIATIVE. I LISTENED TO SUPERVISOR
- 20 ANTONOVICH'S CONCERNS AND I CERTAINLY AGREE THAT THE CAP ON
- 21 THE-- THAT TWO CAPS THAT HE MENTIONS ARE OF CONCERN; HOWEVER,
- 22 THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST'S OFFICE INDICATES THAT INCREASE IN
- 23 EXISTING EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SURCHARGE ON CALLS, INNER
- 24 CALIFORNIA, BY 3% WOULD GENERATE AN ADDITIONAL \$550 MILLION IN
- 25 ADDITIONAL REVENUE. THE INITIATIVE THEN, INDEED, WOULD



- 1 TRANSFER LOCAL MANNED REVENUES TO THE STATE; HOWEVER, THE
- 2 INITIATIVE DOES AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY TO PETITION THE STATE TO
- 3 LOCALLY ADMINISTER EXISTING MADDY FUNDS AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL
- 4 INITIATIVE FUNDING. YOUR DHS STAFF HAS RECEIVED FEEDBACK FROM
- 5 THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES THAT YOUR COUNTY
- 6 IS CONSIDERED TO HAVE A MODEL PHYSICIAN REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM
- 7 AND WILL LIKELY APPROVE TO CONTINUE TO MANAGE THE PHYSICIAN
- 8 FUNDS. THE 99 PROGRAMS ARE OF PARTICULAR COUNTY INTEREST,
- 9 PARTICULARLY WITH TOBACCO CONTROL AND C.H.I.P. UNDER THE
- 10 INITIATIVE, TOBACCO CONTROL AND C.H.I.P. COULD DECLINE.
- 11 HOWEVER, PROGRAMS AREAS SUPPORTED BY C.H.I.P. ON COMPENSATED
- 12 HOSPITAL SERVICES AND AN INCREASE DUE TO NEW FUNDING FROM THE
- 13 INCREASED TELEPHONE SURCHARGE. THERE'S ALSO ANOTHER ITEM IN
- 14 HERE THAT I WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST TO SUPPORT SINCE THIS IS
- 15 ALSO GOING TO BE EXPANDING. NURSING AND NURSING EDUCATION. ONE
- 16 OF MY OTHER HATS I WEAR IS ON THE BOARD FOR A NEW COLLEGE
- 17 THAT'S FOCUSING ON NURSING AS WELL. AND, THEREFORE, I WOULD
- 18 LIKE TO RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY
- 19 SUPPORT THIS E.M.S. RECOMMENDATION. THANK YOU.

21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. DEBRA WARD AND THEN ANGEL

22 OBREGON AND THEN IRENE HOLGUIN.

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- 24 DEBRA WARD: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS DEBORAH WARD. I'M WITH THE
- 25 COMMUNITY CLINIC ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE



- 1 REPRESENT 42 CLINICS COUNTYWIDE, WHICH REPRESENTS OVER 114
- 2 PRIMARY CARE SITES ALL OVER L.A. WE ARE SUPPORTIVE OF THIS
- 3 INITIATIVE AND URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS INITIATIVE. THIS
- 4 INITIATIVE WILL PROVIDE OVER \$150 MILLION EACH YEAR FOR
- 5 EMERGENCY ROOMS, TRAUMA CENTERS AND HEALTH CLINICS IN LOS
- 6 ANGELES COUNTY. THESE FUNDS WILL BE USED TO KEEP LOCAL
- 7 HOSPITAL, EMERGENCY ROOMS, TRAUMA CENTERS AND HEALTH CLINICS
- 8 OPEN AND OPERATIONAL, PREVENT LONG LINES AND WAITING TIMES AT
- 9 LOCAL EMERGENCY ROOMS, ATTRACT AND RETAIN HIGHLY SKILLED
- 10 EMERGENCY PHYSICIAN, NURSES, MEDICAL STAFF TO OUR LOCAL
- 11 EMERGENCY ROOMS AND TRAUMA CENTERS, PROVIDE CRITICAL EMERGENCY
- 12 MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, TECHNOLOGY, SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY, CLINIC
- 13 AND LOCAL CLINICS THAT TREAT NON-EMERGENCY PATIENTS AND
- 14 PRESERVE OUR EMERGENCY ROOMS AND TRAUMA CENTERS FOR THE REAL
- 15 EMERGENCIES. IT WILL UPGRADE OUR 9-1-1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE
- 16 SYSTEM. WE RESPECTFULLY URGE YOUR SUPPORT ON THIS INITIATIVE.
- 17 THANK YOU.

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- 19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, DEBRA. ANGEL OBREGON AND THEN
- 20 IRENE HOLGUIN.

- 22 ANGEL OBREGON: GOOD MORNING. ON BEHALF OF OPTIMUM HEALTH
- 23 SERVICES, I STAND BEFORE YOU TO URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS 9-
- 24 1-1 EMERGENCY INITIATIVE. SPEAKING FROM THE PERSPECTIVE AS A
- 25 STRATEGIC PARTNER HERE FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IT IS



- 1 IMMINENTLY VITAL THAT THIS INITIATIVE PASS AS, YEAR AFTER
- 2 YEAR, YOU MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE GRAPPLING
- 3 FOR MONEY TO BE ABLE TO SUSTAIN THE HEALTHCARE SAFETY NET HERE
- 4 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS INITIATIVE IS ONE WAY OF BEING
- 5 ABLE TO HAVE A DEDICATED FUNDING STREAM SO THAT MONIES CAN BE
- 6 UTILIZED TO PAY FOR HEALTHCARE SERVICES AND EASE THE BURDEN ON
- 7 EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE THAT IS INAPPROPRIATELY USED BY MANY
- 8 RESIDENTS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AS A MEANS TO TAKE CARE
- 9 OF THEIR COMMON COLDS. SO I URGE YOU THAT YOU SUPPORT THIS 9-
- 10 1-1 INITIATIVE UNANIMOUSLY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

14 IRENE HOLGUIN: MY NAME IS IRENE HOLGUIN WITH THE ROYAL VISTA

- 15 FAMILY HEALTH CENTER AND I ALSO AM HERE RESPECTFULLY ASKING
- 16 FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE STATE BALLOT INITIATIVE TO INCREASE
- 17 THE SURCHARGE ON TELEPHONE CALLS MADE WITHIN CALIFORNIA TO
- 18 FUND 9-1-1 EMERGENCY DISPATCH, EMERGENCY ROOMS, TRAUMA CENTERS
- 19 AND EMERGENCY DOCTORS. THANK YOU.
- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU. ABBE LAND. IS IT ABBE
- 22 LAND? YES.

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- 24 ABBE LAND: GOOD MORNING. ABBE LAND, CO-CEO WITH THE LOS
- 25 ANGELES FREE CLINIC AND I AM ALSO HERE TO ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT



- 1 THIS INITIATIVE. THIS INITIATIVE WILL GO A LONG WAY TO
- 2 ENSURING THE 9-1-1 SYSTEM WORKS, THAT OUR EMERGENCY TRAUMA
- 3 CARE CENTERS ARE AVAILABLE AND, FOR COMMUNITY CLINICS, A
- 4 PORTION OF THAT REVENUE GOES TO THE COMMUNITY CLINICS. WE ARE,
- 5 AS YOU KNOW, AN IMPORTANT CRITICAL PART OF THE CONTINUUM OF
- 6 CARE FOR THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORK THAT WE DO AT OUR HEALTH
- 7 CENTERS ENSURE THAT PEOPLE WERE NOT USING THE E.R. ROOMS
- 8 INAPPROPRIATELY, SO THOSE PEOPLE THAT NEED THE E.R. ROOMS HAVE
- 9 THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET THE CARE THEY NEED THERE. SO I JOIN
- 10 WITH MY COLLEAGUES AT THE COMMUNITY CLINIC ASSOCIATION AND THE
- 11 CALIFORNIA PRIMARY CARE ASSOCIATION AND RESPECTFULLY ASK YOU
- 12 TO SUPPORT THIS VERY IMPORTANT INITIATIVE. THANK YOU.

14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. DID YOU

15 WANT TO CONTINUE IT A WEEK, MIKE, OR WHAT WAS YOUR...

17 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WELL, ONE OF THE PROBLEMS WE HAVE HERE IS THE

- 18 FACT THAT, ON THE MADDY LEGISLATION, THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THAT
- 19 THE STATE WILL PROVIDE US THE REVENUES THAT WE CURRENTLY
- 20 GENERATE AND WE'RE GOING TO BE LEFT TO A GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS
- 21 IN SACRAMENTO WHO DON'T ALWAYS SHARE THE SAME VIEWS THAT WE DO
- 22 AT THE LOCAL LEVEL. SO THAT'S A SERIOUS PROBLEM I HAVE. I
- 23 COULD VOTE "NO" ON IT TODAY, YOU KNOW.

25 SUP. BURKE: MR. CHAIRMAN?

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2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YES.

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- 4 SUP. BURKE: I HAVE A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS AS IT RELATES TO
- 5 MATERIALS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE IN TERMS OF THE
- 6 CHARACTERISTICS OF CELL PHONE USERS AND THE-- WHETHER OR NOT,
- 7 DISPROPORTIONATELY, YOUNG PEOPLE USE CELL PHONES AND ALSO
- 8 WHETHER, DISPROPORTIONATELY, AFRICAN-AMERICANS USE CELL PHONES
- 9 TODAY AS THEIR PRIMARY PHONE. THERE HAS BEEN INFORMATION
- 10 THAT'S BEEN SENT TO US WHICH GIVES SOME STATISTICS ON THAT.
- 11 I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT THIS BE REFERRED BACK TO THE C.A.O.'S
- 12 OFFICE FOR THEM TO REVIEW THOSE STATISTICS AND TO COME BACK TO
- 13 US IF THEY CAN FIND OTHER STATISTICS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO WHAT
- 14 HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO US.

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- 16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. BEEN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. THE
- 17 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.

- 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WE HAVE A SET ITEM AT 11:00 AND I HAVE A
- 20 MOTION THAT IS RELATED TO THAT ITEM. THE PROPOSAL THAT I HAD
- 21 MADE BEFORE THE BOARD ON OUR AGENDA WAS THE FACT THAT,
- 22 CURRENTLY, WE HAVE THE ABILITY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO
- 23 USE AN EXISTING HALF CENT OF OUR SALES TAX TO BE DEDICATED
- 24 EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE SHERIFF AND THAT REVENUE COULD THEN
- 25 SUPPORT THAT SHERIFF AND HIS ABILITY TO MAINTAIN OUR JAILS AND



- 1 ENHANCE OUR SECURITY ON THE STREETS. IF THAT WAS NOT
- 2 SUCCESSFUL, THEN I HAD A SECOND PART THAT WOULD REQUIRE A
- 3 QUARTER CENT TAX INCREASE WITH A COMMITMENT FROM THE COUNTY
- 4 AND ALL PARTICIPATING CONTRACT TO INDEPENDENT CITIES THAT THEY
- 5 MATCH THOSE FUNDS WITH AN EQUIVALENT AMOUNT FROM THEIR
- 6 EXISTING BUDGETS AND THAT MATCHING FUND WOULD BE BASED OVER A
- 7 PERIOD OF TIME, PERHAPS BEGINNING IN A THIRD OR FOURTH YEAR
- 8 TIME FRAME WITH NO REQUIRED MATCH FOR THE FIRST TWO YEARS. THE
- 9 REASON I SAY THAT WE COULD USE EXISTING FUNDS WITHOUT ANY
- 10 INCREASES IN TAXES IS THE FACT THAT, CURRENTLY, IN ADDITION,
- 11 THAT THE TAXPAYERS ARE PAYING A HALF CENT IN SALES TAX FOR
- 12 PUBLIC SAFETY UNDER PROPOSITION 172, WHICH WAS ENACTED IN
- 13 1993. HOWEVER, THAT PIECE OF LEGISLATION DID NOT HAVE THE
- 14 NECESSARY SAFEGUARDS TO PROTECT FROM SUPPLEMENTING THOSE
- 15 FUNDS. WHAT WE'RE ASKING FOR HERE IS THAT THE PROPOSAL COULD
- 16 USE THE EXISTING FUNDS THAT WE HAVE, THAT WE ARE GENERATING,
- 17 THAT WE CURRENTLY ARE PROVIDING HEALTH FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF
- 18 EFFORT AND WE COULD USE THE TOBACCO FUNDS THAT COULD PROVIDE
- 19 THOSE REVENUES NECESSARY FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO DO
- 20 HIS RESPONSIBILITIES WITHOUT IMPACTING THE COUNTY. IT WOULD
- 21 FORCE THE COUNTY TO PRIORITIZE PUBLIC SAFETY AS A TOP PRIORITY
- 22 ALONG WITH OTHER VITAL SERVICES BUT IT WOULD ALSO ALLOW US TO
- 23 PROVIDE THE SHERIFF WITH THE SOURCE OF REVENUES THAT HE NEEDS.
- 24 AS OUR MOTION HAS STATED, OUR COUNTY SALES TAX RIGHT NOW IS
- 25 AMONG THE HIGHEST IN THE STATE COMPARED TO OTHER LARGE



- 1 COUNTIES. IN FACT, IT IS EVEN-- IF THAT SALES TAX WAS
- 2 INCREASED, IT WOULD BE LARGER THAN THE STATE OF NEW YORK. SO
- 3 THE PROPOSAL IS TO EITHER USE EXISTING FUNDS OR HAVE THE
- 4 TAXPAYERS HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE ON A QUARTER CENT
- 5 INCREASE AND HAVE A COMMITMENT BY OUR CITIES TO PAY A MATCHING
- 6 FUND TO HELP GENERATE THOSE FUNDS. IF THEY DON'T DESIRE TO DO
- 7 THAT, THEN THOSE FUNDS COULD BE PLACED IN A-- AN ACCOUNT WHERE
- 8 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND THOSE PROGRAMS
- 9 DEALING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE IN AVERSION PROGRAMS COULD HAVE
- 10 ACCESS TO THOSE FUNDS TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE DIRECTING THOSE
- 11 RESOURCES TO PUBLIC SAFETY. SO THAT'S THE PROPOSAL BEFORE US.
- 12 I KNOW THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE SIGNED UP TO
- 13 SPEAK. IT WAS MY INTENT THAT WE COULD HEAR THE INDIVIDUALS
- 14 TODAY AND THEN I HAVE ANOTHER MOTION THAT I COULD BRING IN
- 15 AFTER WE HEAR THE INDIVIDUALS SPEAKING.

- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. YEAH, WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE. AND
- 18 NOW ZEV HAS INDICATED HERE HE'S GOING TO SPEAK, AS WELL, TOO.
- 19 I DID WANT TO JUST RECOGNIZE, WE HAVE SOME GUESTS HERE FROM
- 20 L.A. CARE. THEY ARE RECENT R.A.C. TRAINING GRADUATES, WHICH IS
- 21 THE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND SO THEY'RE SPENDING THE DAY
- 22 LEARNING ABOUT LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND WHAT A BETTER WAY THAN TO
- 23 TALK ABOUT TAXES, HUH? SO, ANYWAY, WE WANT TO ASK YOU TO WAVE
- 24 YOUR HANDS, STAND UP AND SAY HELLO AND WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE
- 25 YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ZEV, YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO... 2 3 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I DO, MR. CHAIRMAN. I REALLY WANT TO JUST 4 5 INTRODUCE THE ISSUE AND ALSO MAKE AN AMENDMENT, WHICH I'LL DISCUSS IN A MOMENT. THE REASON I PUT THE ITEM ON THE AGENDA 6 TODAY WAS TO GIVE US AN OPPORTUNITY TO DECIDE, COLLECTIVELY, 7 8 AS TO WHETHER THERE WILL BE A NOVEMBER BALLOT HALF CENT SALES TAX ISSUE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT. SHERIFF BACA TOOK IT UPON 9 10 HIMSELF TO TRY TO QUALIFY AN INITIATIVE FOR THE NOVEMBER 11 BALLOT. IT APPEARS THAT HE IS GOING TO FALL SHORT, NARROWLY, BUT, NEVERTHELESS, FALL SHORT OF THE REQUIRED SIGNATURES. I 12 DON'T KNOW WHAT THE LATEST IS ON THAT. HE HAS PUT TOGETHER A 13 COALITION OF PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY, WHICH, AT LEAST IN MY 14 15 MEMORY, IS UNPRECEDENTED, OF CITY COUNCILS, MAYORS, CHIEFS OF 16 POLICE, OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS FROM EVERY PART OF THIS COUNTY, FROM EVERY ONE OF OUR DISTRICTS AND FROM EVERY 17 18 DEMOGRAPHIC IN THE COUNTY, FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY TO THE 19 SOUTHEAST BORDERS OF THE COUNTY AND FROM THE VENTURA COUNTY LINE TO THE PACIFIC OCEAN. THERE IS A DESIRE ON THE PART OF 20 CITIES AND OF THIS COUNTY AND OF OUR SHERIFF TO TRY TO DO 21 22 SOMETHING TO GET OUT OF THE CYCLE OF ANNUALLY TRYING TO 23 RECONCILE DEMANDS THAT OUTPACE OUR RESOURCES WHICH WITH TO PROVIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES. TO GET THE LAW ENFORCEMENT 24

AGENCIES OF THIS COUNTY TO A POINT WHERE THEY CAN BREATHE,



- 1 WHERE THEY CAN PLAN AHEAD, WHERE THEY DON'T HAVE TO MAKE
- 2 HOBSON'S CHOICES LIKE RELEASING PRISONERS EARLY IN ORDER TO
- 3 KEEP PATROL ON OR OTHER THINGS. WE ASKED OUR SHERIFF, A COUPLE
- 4 OF YEARS AGO, TO START TO GET HIS ARMS AROUND THE FISCAL
- 5 ISSUES IN THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S BUDGET. I KNOW THAT OTHER
- 6 CITIES, MY FORMER EMPLOYER, HAS SOUGHT TO DO THE SAME AND, AT
- 7 LEAST SPEAKING FOR OUR LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT, I THINK OUR
- 8 SHERIFF, AS I SAID A COUPLE WEEKS AGO WHEN WE DEALT WITH OUR
- 9 OWN BUDGET, HAS DONE QUITE A BIT TO BRING RATIONALITY TO THE
- 10 BUDGETING PROCESS AND TO THE FISCAL MANAGEMENT AT THE
- 11 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. IT'S NOT PERFECT, NONE OF US ARE
- 12 PERFECT, AND THERE'S A LONG WAY TO GO, BUT CERTAINLY IT'S A
- 13 FAR CRY FROM WHERE WE WERE A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO. THERE IS NO
- 14 DOUBT IN ANYBODY'S MIND THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT IN THIS COUNTY
- 15 AND IN THE CITIES OF THIS COUNTY ARE-- COULD USE ADDITIONAL
- 16 RESOURCES WITH WHICH TO DEPLOY NOT ONLY MORE PATROL, BUT MORE
- 17 TARGETED SUPPRESSION OF GANG VIOLENCE. AND, IN THE CASE OF OUR
- 18 COUNTY, TO DEAL WITH THE VERY COMPELLING PROBLEMS WE HAVE IN
- 19 OUR JAILS, WHICH WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH ONE WAY OR
- 20 THE OTHER. SO THAT'S WHY I PUT THIS ON THE AGENDA, SO THAT, IF
- 21 THE SHERIFF'S SIGNATURE-GATHERING EFFORT FALLS SHORT, THAT
- 22 THAT EFFORT NOT BE IN VAIN, THAT AT LEAST WE GIVE HIM AND HIS
- 23 COALITION AN OPPORTUNITY TO GO TO THE VOTERS IN NOVEMBER AND
- 24 GIVE THEM THE VOICE. THIS IS NOT SOMETHING WE CAN DO BY
- 25 OURSELVES. NO CITY COUNCIL CAN DO IT BY ITSELF. IT REQUIRES A



- 1 TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE PEOPLE TO APPROVE ANY SPECIAL TAX AND
- 2 THAT'S WHY WE ARE OBLIGATED, IF WE WANT TO SEE THIS HAPPEN, WE
- 3 ARE OBLIGATED TO PUT THIS TO A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE. EITHER WE
- 4 WILL OR SOME OF THE CITIES WILL. MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD JUST
- 5 ADD, I THINK IT'S IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THIS COUNTY AND I
- 6 THINK YOU WILL HEAR FROM SOME OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS
- 7 TODAY, THAT WE DO THIS ON A COUNTYWIDE BASIS AND NOT ON A CITY
- 8 BY CITY BASIS FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS AND I'LL LET THEM SPEAK
- 9 TO IT. BUT, FROM OUR POINT OF VIEW, AND, I THINK, FROM THE
- 10 CITY'S POINT OF VIEW, IT WOULD MAKE MORE SENSE TO DO THIS
- 11 COMPREHENSIVELY AND TO DEAL WITH A FUNDING OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
- 12 ON A COUNTYWIDE BASIS SO THAT IT CAN BE TARGETED IN EVERY
- 13 COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS TAX, IF IT'S APPROVED BY
- 14 THE VOTERS, WOULD BE RETURNED TO THE CITIES AND TO THE
- 15 JURISDICTIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ON A PER CAPITA
- 16 BASIS. AND THERE'S A CHART THE SHERIFF CAN PROVIDE THAT WILL
- 17 OUTLINE EXACTLY HOW MUCH EACH CITY GETS AND, FOR EACH CITY,
- 18 THIS IS NOT AN INCONSEQUENTIAL SUM OF MONEY. IT ENABLES THEM
- 19 TO MAKE A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT AND INCREASE IN LAW
- 20 ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL AND OTHER THINGS. AND I UNDERSTAND THERE
- 21 MAY BE SOME OTHER ISSUES RELATED TO HOW THE FUNDS ARE
- 22 EXPENDED, AS WELL, WHICH I AM INCLINED TO SUPPORT. SO, MR.
- 23 CHAIRMAN, THE LAST THING I WANT TO DO IS I WANT TO INTRODUCE
- 24 THIS AMENDMENT. IN REVIEWING THIS SHERIFF'S MEASURE WITH THE
- 25 SHERIFF AND WITH OUR C.A.O., THERE WERE SOME-- AND ALSO THE



- 1 COMMENTS THAT WE RECEIVED FROM SOME OF OUR CITIES,
- 2 PARTICULARLY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, WHICH, I THINK, MADE
- 3 SOME CONSTRUCTIVE SUGGESTIONS TO US WHEN THEY MET LAST WEEK.
- 4 THERE WERE A NUMBER OF THINGS THAT I THOUGHT WE COULD
- 5 STRENGTHEN AND ELIMINATE AMBIGUITIES IN THE MEASURE AND THAT'S
- 6 THE MOTION THAT I WANT TO HAVE CIRCULATED NOW. AND THERE'S NO
- 7 PREAMBLE BUT I DO WANT TO READ WHAT IT SAYS. "THE PROPOSAL OF
- 8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITIES SALES
- 9 TAX INITIATIVE BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS: (A) CAP THE ANNUAL
- 10 ALLOCATION TO PROVIDE FOR AND MAINTAIN THE COUNTYWIDE INNER
- 11 OPERABILITY SYSTEM TO NO MORE THAN 2% OF FUNDS REMAINING AFTER
- 12 THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAS BEEN REIMBURSED FOR COSTS INCURRED
- 13 WHILE COMPLYING WITH THE ORDINANCE, " AND THAT'S JUST A
- 14 REFERENCE TO THE SECTION OF THE INITIATIVE. THERE WAS NO CAP
- 15 ON THE INNER OPERABILITY BEFORE. THIS PLACES A CAP ON IT. "(B)
- 16 PROVIDE THAT 5% OF THE FUNDS REMAINING SHALL BE ALLOCATED FOR
- 17 SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE SHERIFF'S CUSTODY DIVISION." I
- 18 DISCUSSED THIS WITH THE SHERIFF. I THINK IT STRENGTHENS IT TO-
- 19 THAT THE 5% OFF THE TOP BE FOR CUSTODY DIVISION AND NOT
- 20 COUNTYWIDE SERVICES, WHICH I THINK COULD LEAD TO A LOT OF
- 21 ARGUMENT LATER YEARS AHEAD SO-- AND THEN "(C) PROVIDE THAT ALL
- 22 FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE COUNTY, INCLUDING THE 2% FOR INNER
- 23 OPERABILITY, THE 5% FOR SHERIFF'S CUSTODY DIVISION AND THE
- 24 FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREA WILL BE
- 25 INCORPORATED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AS PART OF THE ANNUAL



- 1 COUNTY BUDGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE ORDINANCE."
- 2 THERE WAS NO, REALLY NO-- NOBODY WAS GIVEN THE JURISDICTION TO
- 3 APPROPRIATE THE MONEY AND THE INITIATIVE. THIS DOES THAT AND
- 4 THIS IS A SUGGESTION THAT WAS MADE BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
- 5 AND BY OUR OWN STAFF. APPRECIATE THAT. "(D) EXPAND THE
- 6 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO INCLUDE APPOINTEES OF THE MAYOR OF THE
- 7 CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF
- 8 SUPERVISORS AND PROVIDE THAT THE ROLE OF THE OVERSIGHT
- 9 COMMITTEE SHALL BE TO RECEIVE AN ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE
- 10 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER STATING THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS COLLECTED AND
- 11 CERTIFYING THAT ALL SUCH FUNDS WERE DISTRIBUTED PURSUANT TO
- 12 THE TERMS OF THE ORDINANCE AND TO REPORT THEREON TO THE BOARD
- 13 OF SUPERVISORS. AND, FURTHER, TO STRIKE THE PROVISION
- 14 AUTHORIZING THE ENACTMENT OF RULES, REGULATIONS AND PENALTIES
- 15 CONCERNING THE USE OF FUNDS AND STRIKE THE PROVISION
- 16 AUTHORIZING THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO DECIDE THE AMOUNT OF
- 17 ANNUAL FUNDING FOR THE COUNTYWIDE INNER OPERABILITY SYSTEM."
- 18 THAT IS NO LONGER NECESSARY BECAUSE WE HAVE CAPPED THE AMOUNT
- 19 OF MONEY. THEN I FURTHER MOVE, "AND, FINALLY, I FURTHER MOVE
- 20 THAT THE COUNTY COUNSEL BE INSTRUCTED TO AMEND THE PROPOSED
- 21 ORDINANCE AS INDICATED ABOVE AND TO PROPOSE ANY OTHER CHANGES
- 22 AND AMENDMENTS THAT MAY BE NECESSARY TO RECONCILE CONFLICTING
- 23 PROVISIONS AND ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF THIS ORDINANCE." MR.
- 24 CHAIRMAN, I KNOW THERE'S GOING TO BE A LOT OF SUGGESTIONS AND
- 25 A LOT OF AMENDMENTS AND A LOT OF THEM GOOD ONES, AND I HOPE



- 1 THAT WHAT WE CAN COME OUT OF HERE TODAY WITH IS SOME KIND OF A
- 2 CONSENSUS THAT WORKS FOR US. I WANT TO HEAR FROM THE CITIES
- 3 ABOUT WHAT WE'VE PROPOSED, WHAT MR. ANTONOVICH HAS PROPOSED,
- 4 WHICH I THINK IS MATCH IDEA WHICH MAY NOT, AT FIRST BLUSH,
- 5 APPEAL TO THE CITIES. I THINK, IF THEY REVIEW IT CAREFULLY AND
- 6 AFTER THE DISCUSSION, I ENCOURAGE THEM TO BE OPEN- MINDED
- 7 ABOUT ANYTHING THAT CAN GET US THE FOUR VOTES-- OR FIVE VOTES,
- 8 IF WE CAN GET A UNANIMOUS VOTE ON SOMETHING THAT WE CAN PUT ON
- 9 THE BALLOT. IT TAKES TWO-THIRDS OF US, WHICH, IN OUR CASE, IS
- 10 FOUR OUT OF FIVE, TO PUT ANYTHING ON THE BALLOT RELATING TO
- 11 THE SALES TAX THAT THE LAW REQUIRES AND THEN IT TAKES TWO-
- 12 THIRDS TO GET IT APPROVED. AND I HOPE WHAT WILL EVOLVE OUT OF
- 13 TODAY'S DISCUSSION IS AT LEAST A CONSENSUS ON WHERE WE ARE,
- 14 WHAT FOUR OR MORE OF US CAN SUPPORT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
- 15 PEOPLE WHO ARE HERE, AND THEN GO FORWARD. I WANT TO THANK THE
- 16 SHERIFF FOR DOING THIS. HE DIDN'T HAVE TO DO THIS AND, IN
- 17 TERMS OF LAUNCHING THE INITIATIVE, I THINK IT HAS FOCUSED SOME
- 18 ATTENTION AND, LIKE WE DID WITH PROPOSITION "B" TWO YEARS AGO,
- 19 I THINK PEOPLE, IF THEY KNOW WHAT THEY'RE GETTING FOR THE
- 20 MONEY THEY SPEND, WE HAVE DEMONSTRATED-- PEOPLE HAVE
- 21 DEMONSTRATED IN THIS COUNTY THAT THEY ARE WILLING TO ASSESS
- 22 THEMSELVES IF THEY KNOW THEY'RE GETTING VALUE FOR THE
- 23 ASSESSMENT. AND OUR JOB IS TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT VALUE IS
- 24 BEING PROVIDED AND I THANK HIM FOR HIS LEADERSHIP. AND SO, FOR



- 1 DISCUSSION PURPOSES, I PUT THIS AMENDMENT ON THE TABLE AS
- 2 WELL. THANK YOU.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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- 6 SUP. MOLINA: MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A QUESTION OF PROCEDURE AND
- 7 PROCESS. COULD I-- SOMEONE SHARE WITH ME WHAT THE TIMEFRAME IS
- 8 OF WHAT OUR TIMELINES ARE?

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WHEN'S THE LAST DATE THIS CAN GO ON THE
- 11 BALLOT?

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- 13 RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL: MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, E-
- 14 88, WHICH IS THE LAST DAY, IS AUGUST THE 6TH. SO THE ORDINANCE
- 15 WOULD REQUIRE TWO READINGS. THE TWO TUESDAYS PRIOR TO THAT
- 16 DATE WOULD BE INTRODUCED ON JULY 27TH AND ADOPTION ON AUGUST
- 17 3RD.

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- 19 SUP. MOLINA: AND DOES IT-- WHEN YOU PROCEED TO THAT, DOES IT
- 20 HAVE TO BE ON THE JULY DATE, THAT HAS TO BE THE FINAL WORDING?
- 21 IN OTHER WORDS, BETWEEN NOW AND THAT JULY DATE THAT YOU JUST
- 22 MENTIONED, THERE'S A POTENTIAL OF AMENDMENTS, OF REVISING THE
- 23 LANGUAGE, OF TRYING TO SEEK CLARIFICATION FOR THE LANGUAGE?



- 1 RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL: SUPERVISOR MOLINA, I WANT TO CHECK. I
- 2 BELIEVE THAT YOU CAN FREELY CHANGE THE ORDINANCE AS LONG AS
- 3 IT'S OUTSIDE E-88, BUT I WANT TO CHECK THE STATUTORY DATE.
- 4 THERE IS A DATE ON WHICH YOU CAN NO LONGER, IN ESSENCE, REMOVE
- 5 ONE MEASURE AND REPLACE IT WITH ANOTHER.

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- 7 SUP. MOLINA: WE MAY HAVE THE ABILITY TO MAKE CHANGES ALL THE
- 8 WAY UP TO THE AUGUST DATE IS WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

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10 RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL: YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

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- 12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WELL, AS LONG AS YOU DON'T HAVE IT-- IN
- 13 OTHER WORDS, IF THERE WAS NO ACTION TAKEN TODAY, AS AN
- 14 EXAMPLE, AS LONG AS YOU DON'T HAVE THE ACTION TAKEN ON THE
- 15 TABLE WITH ALL THE AMENDMENTS, YOU COULD MAKE CHANGES,
- 16 SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES BETWEEN NOW AND THE TIME YOU DID PRESENT
- 17 IT FOR ADOPTION, IS THAT CORRECT?

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- 19 RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL: THAT IS CORRECT. IF YOU ADOPTED A FORM
- 20 BY JUST THREE VOTES TO KEEP IT AS A MATTER OF POLICY, THAT
- 21 COULD BE CHANGED AT ANY TIME UP TO YOUR E-88 DATES.

- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: BUT IF YOU TOOK ACTION ON ZEV'S AMENDMENT
- 24 AND EVERYTHING ELSE BEFORE US, COULD YOU MAKE ANY CHANGES
- 25 BETWEEN NOW AND THE-- HE'S SAYING NO.



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2 RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL: YEAH. NO, I BELIEVE YOU CAN BUT I WANT

3 TO CHECK THE STATUTORY DATE.

- 5 SUP. MOLINA: OF WHEN YOU CAN FINALLY. AND LET ME JUST ADD AS
- 6 WELL, I UNDERSTAND THE SIGNIFICANCE AND THE IMPORTANCE OF
- 7 THIS. ANY TIME THAT WE CAN PUT MORE MONEY INTO SECURITY,
- 8 EVERYONE CAN APPRECIATE IT. AND, AGAIN, I AM IMPRESSED AND
- 9 SURPRISED HOW PEOPLE ARE WILLING TO TAX THEMSELVES IN ORDER TO
- 10 PROVIDE THAT KIND OF SECURITY AND-- BUT, AGAIN, OUR ONLY ROLE
- 11 AT THIS POINT IN TIME IS TO PLACE IT ON THE BALLOT AND LET THE
- 12 VOTERS DECIDE. BUT I DO THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE NEED TO
- 13 CLARIFY EXACTLY HOW THIS MONEY IS GOING TO BE UTILIZED. TO ME,
- 14 IN READING IT, THERE ARE A LOT OF UNANSWERED QUESTIONS, WHICH
- 15 I WOULD LIKE TO ASK AND WILL BE ASKING. HOW THE CITIES WOULD
- 16 UTILIZE IT, HOW THAT WOULD WORK IN CONJUNCTION WITH CONTRACT
- 17 CITIES, WHAT KIND OF LIMITATIONS IT WOULD HAVE, HOW IT WOULD
- 18 WORK FOR UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AND HOW IT WOULD INTERFACE WITH
- 19 SOME OF THE OVERALL RESPONSIBILITIES THAT THE SHERIFF HAS THAT
- 20 ARE SORT OF UNFUNDED RESPONSIBILITIES, WHETHER IT BE S.C.A.P.
- 21 FUNDING OR OTHER KINDS OF THINGS AS TO HOW THE SHERIFF COULD
- 22 LOOK AT AN OPPORTUNITY TO REACH INTO THIS POTENTIAL POT OF
- 23 MONEY AS A SET OF RESOURCES THAT HE COULD USE FOR THOSE
- 24 SITUATIONS IN WHICH, WHETHER IT BE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OR
- 25 THE STATE GOVERNMENT, IS PULLING AWAY FROM ITS DUTY AND



- 1 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY. AND SO THERE'S A LOT OF
- 2 UNANSWERED QUESTIONS. AND I CAN APPRECIATE THE WORK THE
- 3 SHERIFF HAS DONE. I CERTAINLY CAN APPRECIATE, BY ALL THE
- 4 LOBBYING THAT HAS BEEN DONE BY THE CITY COUNCIL, THE CITY OF
- 5 L.A., OF THE NEED TO GET THESE DOLLARS INTO THEIR SYSTEM IN
- 6 ORDER TO PROVIDE MORE ASSERTIVE AND MORE AGGRESSIVE POLICE
- 7 PROTECTION. BUT I THINK THAT, BECAUSE IT ISN'T JUST FOR ONE
- 8 CITY AND IT ISN'T JUST FOR ONE AREA, I AGREE WITH MR.
- 9 YAROSLAVSKY THAT WE SHOULD DO IT INCLUSIVELY OF ALL-- THE
- 10 ENTIRE COUNTY. WE HAVE TO CLEARLY UNDERSTAND HOW IT'S GOING TO
- 11 BE UTILIZED AT EVERY LEVEL AND WHETHER, IN FACT, WE'RE GOING
- 12 TO GET THE KIND OF COVERAGE THAT WE NEED IN ORDER TO DEAL WITH
- 13 THE OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES, PARTICULARLY THE SHERIFF HAS. AS
- 14 WE PROVIDE MORE SECURITY, HOPEFULLY, WE CAN ROUND OUT MORE
- 15 CRIMINALS OR WHATEVER, BUT THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO BE
- 16 HOUSED, THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO BE JAILED, THEY'RE GOING TO
- 17 HAVE TO BE PROSECUTED. ALL OF THOSE DUTIES AND
- 18 RESPONSIBILITIES WOULD END UP BEING, AGAIN, ON A COUNTY BUDGET
- 19 THAT IS ALL REALLY RATHER STRAINED. SO IT'S IMPORTANT TO
- 20 UNDERSTAND AND RESPECT HOW THESE MONIES ARE UTILIZED SO THAT
- 21 WE PUT ON THE BALLOT A MEASURE THAT PEOPLE CAN HOLD US
- 22 ACCOUNTABLE TO. IT WOULD BE A SHAME THAT WE WOULD TELL THEM,
- 23 ON ONE HAND, "THIS IS GOING TO PROVIDE MORE SECURITY AND MORE
- 24 POLICE PROTECTION FOR YOU, " BUT, IN REALITY, ONCE YOU START
- 25 THINKING OUT SOME OF THESE ISSUES, THAT, AT THE END OF THE



- 1 DAY, YOU MAY NOT BE DOING EXACTLY THAT. HOW MANY MORE PATROL
- 2 CARS DOES IT ADD? HOW MANY POLICE OFFICERS DOES IT ADD? HOW
- 3 MANY DEPUTY SHERIFFS? THINGS OF THAT SORT ARE THE THINGS THAT
- 4 WE NEED TO FIND OUT, OTHER THAN LET'S TAX OURSELVES FOR MORE
- 5 SECURITY. I THINK, WHEN YOU THROW THAT OUT THERE, THAT,
- 6 REALLY, EVERYBODY CAN AGREE TO THAT, FOR THE MOST PART. NOT
- 7 EVERYBODY WANTS TO TAX THEMSELVES AT ALL BUT THOSE OF US WHO
- 8 DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT STILL WANT TO HAVE A BETTER
- 9 UNDERSTANDING OF HOW DOES THAT RETURN BACK INTO OUR
- 10 COMMUNITIES FROM THE ISSUES AND STANDPOINT OF SAFETY. SO
- 11 THERE'S STILL A LOT OF UNANSWERED QUESTIONS THAT I THINK,
- 12 HOPEFULLY, THROUGH TODAY'S DISCUSSION AND HOPEFULLY SOME
- 13 CONTINUED DIALOGUE AND INTERFACE WITH THE SHERIFF AND THE
- 14 OTHER CITIES, WE CAN GET ANSWERS TO SOME OF THESE QUESTIONS.

- 16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YEAH, I AGREE. I MEAN, THERE'S A NUMBER OF
- 17 ISSUES THAT STILL TO BE DEALT WITH. MY BIGGEST CONCERN, JUST
- 18 OUT FRONT, ON TRYING TO DEAL WITH ADDITIONAL TAXES IS THE FACT
- 19 THAT, YOU KNOW, SOME OF US GOT OUT IN FRONT OF A PROPOSITION
- 20 CALLED 172 A FEW YEARS AGO ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND LAW
- 21 ENFORCEMENT, AND TODAY WE CONTINUE TO STILL REEL FROM THAT
- 22 ISSUE WHERE, INSTEAD OF AN ENHANCEMENT TO LAW ENFORCEMENT, IT
- 23 HAS BEEN A SUPPLEMENT. AND SO THEY'RE TAKING MONEY OUT THE
- 24 BACK DOOR. I MEAN, IF YOU LOOK, AND IT'S SORT OF INTERESTING,
- 25 AND I THINK THE SHERIFF KNOWS THIS AND-- THE POT OF MONEY THAT



- 1 THIS HALF CENT SALES TAX RAISES IS VERY EQUAL TO HIS BUDGET A
- 2 FEW YEARS AGO WITH THE AVOCATION OF PROP 172 DOLLARS. SO IT'S
- 3 A SIMILAR POT. SO, I MEAN, I THINK, FROM THE STANDPOINT, IF
- 4 YOU, FINE AND AGREE TO TAX YOURSELF BUT THE STANDPOINT OF HOW
- 5 IT'S GOING TO BE UTILIZED, THE PROTECTION OF THOSE DOLLARS. I
- 6 THINK, FROM THE EXAMPLE OF MEASURE "B," THEY WERE VERY STIFF
- 7 PROTECTIONS, AND I'M NOT SURE YET WHERE, IN THIS PROCESS,
- 8 THOSE GUARANTEES EXIST. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE
- 9 SIGNED UP TO SPEAK, AND, YOU KNOW, WE-- I'M GOING TO ASK
- 10 SHERIFF BACA-- YES?

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- 12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. CHAIRMAN? BEFORE YOU CAN-- AND I'M NOT
- 13 GOING TO SPEAK TO SUBSTANCE, JUST PROCEDURAL, TO MS. MOLINA'S
- 14 FIRST QUESTION. I WANT TO JUST, FOR ALL OF US TO UNDERSTAND
- 15 THE CALENDAR, THE LAST WEEK IN JULY I DON'T THINK THIS BOARD
- 16 IS MEETING, AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE FIRST WEEK IN AUGUST
- 17 LOOKS LIKE. SO I WOULD, FOR THE SAKE OF DISCUSSION AND FOR
- 18 CALIBRATING OUR CHRONOLOGICAL EXPECTATIONS, I WOULD SHOOT FOR
- 19 THE LAST MEETING IN JULY BEFORE WE RECESS, WHICH WOULD BE THE
- 20 20 SOMETHING-- WHAT IS THE DATE, VIOLET?

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22 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: THE LAST MEETING IN JULY IS THE 27TH.



- 1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: NO, WE'RE NOT GOING TO MEET ON THE 27TH
- 2 BECAUSE THREE OF US ARE GOING TO BE IN BOSTON FOR THE
- 3 DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION. SO THE 20TH.

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5 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: THE 20TH

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- 7 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THE 20TH WOULD BE THE LAST DAY, WHICH MEANS
- 8 WE HAVE THREE WEEKS, AND WHAT I WAS GOING TO-- WHAT I WAS
- 9 HOPING FOR IS, WHATEVER WE DECIDE, YOU KNOW, WE COULD ASK THE-
- 10 WE COULD HAVE STUFF DRAFTED, EVEN TWO PARALLEL THINGS
- 11 DRAFTED BROUGHT BACK AT A TIME CERTAIN AND THEN...

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- 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SURE. I MEAN, IT COULD BE EVERY WEEK. I
- 14 MEAN, THAT'S NOT AN ISSUE. I THINK YOU'RE JUST LOOKING FOR THE
- 15 LAST DATE.

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- 17 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THAT'S-- I THINK WE SHOULD ASSUME THAT THE
- 18 20TH IS GOING TO BE OUR DEADLINE.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SO WE COULD BRING IT IN ON THE JULY 27TH
- 21 AND IT WOULDN'T PASS. OKAY.

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23 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WOULDN'T EVEN BE HEARD. [ LIGHT LAUGHTER ]



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO ASK SHERIFF BACA,
- 2 DISTRICT ATTORNEY STEVE COOLEY TO COME FORWARD FIRST, AND THEN
- 3 I WILL CALL THE SPEAKERS IN AN ORDER. I KNOW THAT YOU'RE ALL
- 4 STANDING THERE IN UNISON AND I WILL CALL YOU ACCORDINGLY. IF
- 5 YOU'D JUST SORT OF SIT DOWN, RELAX, WE'LL GET EVERYBODY UP
- 6 HERE. PEACE AND JOY.

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- 8 SHERIFF BACA: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
- 9 BOARD. I KNOW THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE HERE HAVE COMMENTS THAT
- 10 THEY'D LOVE TO MAKE AND SHOULD MAKE. I WILL DEFER MY REMARKS
- 11 UNTIL THE END OF THIS PROCESS SO THAT, IN THE INTEREST OF
- 12 TIME, WE HAVE OUR MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HERE. I
- 13 DON'T EXPECT EVERY MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL WHO IS HERE
- 14 WOULD ASK TO SPEAK. THE KEY HERE IS THAT YOUR TIME IS AS
- 15 VALUABLE AS OURS. SO, WITH THAT, I WOULD ASK THAT MY
- 16 COLLEAGUE, STEVE COOLEY, SAY WHAT HE NEEDS TO SAY AND THEN WE
- 17 BRING THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL PRESENT PADILLA UP, ALONG WITH
- 18 CHIEF BRADEN AND THEN...

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I'VE GOT TO SPEAK IN ORDER, SHERIFF. WE'VE
- 21 GOT TO TAKE-- WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED.

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23 SHERIFF BACA: OKAY. THANK YOU.

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25 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: STEVE?



- 2 STEVE COOLEY: YES, GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE TODAY
- 3 TO URGE YOU TO SEIZE A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE LOS ANGELES
- 4 COUNTY A SAFER PLACE TO LIVE, WORK, AND DO BUSINESS. THE
- 5 REQUEST IS SIMPLE: PLACE A PROPERLY DRAFTED ONE-HALF CENT
- 6 SALES TAX MEASURE ON THE BALLOT. LET THE VOTERS DETERMINE IF
- 7 PUBLIC SAFETY IS THEIR NUMBER ONE PRIORITY. IT IS UP TO YOU TO
- 8 MAKE SURE THE VOTERS HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY. LAW ENFORCEMENT
- 9 FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ITS 88 CITIES HAS BEEN HANDCUFFED
- 10 BY SEVERE FUNDING ISSUES THAT WE'RE ALL AWARE OF. I CAN ASSURE
- 11 YOU, CRIME IS UP, AS MEASURED BY FILINGS IN MY OFFICE,
- 12 PRISONERS ARE BEING RELEASED FROM COUNTY JAIL WELL BEFORE
- 13 SERVING THEIR FULL SENTENCES. THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 14 DESERVE MUCH BETTER. LET THE CITIZENS, THE PEOPLE WE ALL
- 15 REPORT TO AND THE PEOPLE THAT I REPRESENT IN COURT, FROM
- 16 POMONA TO PALISADES, FROM LANCASTER TO LONG BEACH, DECIDE THIS
- 17 ISSUE BY PLACING IT ON THE BALLOT. NOW, HAVING ADEQUATE
- 18 RESOURCES TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC IS JUST ONE CONCERN. THERE
- 19 MUST BE A BALANCE WITHIN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. MORE
- 20 DEPUTIES AND MORE POLICE WILL MEAN MORE ARRESTS. MORE ARRESTS
- 21 WILL MEAN MORE CASES EVALUATED AND FILED BY MY OFFICE. THIS
- 22 MEANS WE'LL NEED MORE PROSECUTORS TO HANDLE THESE CASES. ANY
- 23 HALF-CENT SALES TAX MEASURE THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE A COMPONENT
- 24 SUPPORTING PROSECUTION IS A FAILED MEASURE. ALL YOU'LL DO IS
- 25 STRENGTHEN ONE PART OF THE SYSTEM WHILE LEAVING ANOTHER PART



- 1 OF THE SYSTEM WEAK. I CAN ASSURE YOU, IT'S ALREADY A WEAKENED
- 2 PART OF THE SYSTEM. SO I SUGGEST STRONGLY, BEFORE YOU ENACT
- 3 ANY ORDINANCE, YOU LOOK AT ALL COMPONENTS OF YOUR CRIMINAL
- 4 JUSTICE SYSTEM, OF THE PEOPLE'S CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. I
- 5 APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS OF LEE BACA TO DATE. WITHOUT HIS HARD
- 6 WORK OVER MANY, MANY, MANY MONTHS AND INSPIRATION, WE WOULDN'T
- 7 HAVE EVEN A DISCUSSION ABOUT TRYING TO COME UP WITH A POSSIBLE
- 8 SOLUTION. BUT IT'S UP TO YOU TO FASHION AN APPROPRIATE HALF-
- 9 CENT SALES TAX INITIATIVE THAT ADDRESSES ALL COMPONENTS OF THE
- 10 CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM AND DOES ASSURE THE THINGS THAT WE'RE
- 11 ALL IN GOVERNMENT TO ASSURE, WHICH IS A GOOD, SAFE PLACE FOR
- 12 OUR PEOPLE, OUR RESIDENTS, TO LIVE AND PROSPER. THANK YOU VERY
- 13 MUCH.

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- 15 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, STEVE. NEXT I'D LIKE TO INVITE
- 16 THE-- I UNDERSTAND, SHERIFF, YOU'RE YOU'RE GOING TO RESPOND AT
- 17 THE END TO ANY COMMENTS THAT ARE MADE. I'D LIKE TO INVITE THE
- 18 MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES, JIM HAHN, AND I THINK-- WELL, I HAVE
- 19 ALEX AND THEN I HAVE ERICK, JAN, CINDY, WENDY, DENNIS, AND THE
- 20 L.A.-- AND MARTIN-- AND MARTIN. ARE YOU ALL GOING TO SPEAK OR
- 21 DO YOU JUST WANT TO COME UP AND... IF YOU'D COME ON UP HERE
- 22 AND WE'LL PRETEND-- MAYBE YOU CAN SING US A SONG FOR ALL THAT
- 23 MONEY. [ LAUGHTER ]

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25 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MR. MAYOR?



- 2 MAYOR HAHN: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
- 3 I WANT TO APPLAUD YOU FOR HAVING THIS ON YOUR AGENDA AND
- 4 ESPECIALLY TO APPLAUD SHERIFF LEE BACA FOR HIS LEADERSHIP ON
- 5 THIS ISSUE. MY NUMBER ONE GOAL AS MAYOR HAS BEEN TO MAKE LOS
- 6 ANGELES THE SAFEST BIG CITY IN AMERICA. THAT'S GOING TO TAKE A
- 7 LOT OF POLICE RESOURCES TO DO THAT. MY FIRST YEAR AS MAYOR, WE
- 8 ADDED NEARLY 300 OFFICERS TO L.A.P.D. AS A RESULT OF THE
- 9 CHANGE IN PROVIDING PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES AT THE M.T.A., WE
- 10 ADDED AN ADDITIONAL \$28 MILLION TO THE CITY'S BUDGET AS WE HAD
- 11 RETURNED THOSE OFFICERS TO PATROL ON THE STREETS. SO WE'VE
- 12 WORKED VERY HARD TO PUT MORE OFFICERS IN THE STREET, THE CITY
- 13 COUNCIL AND I HAVE WORKED TO PUT MORE OFFICERS IN THIS YEAR'S
- 14 BUDGET, GIVEN THE TIGHT FISCAL TIMES THAT WE'RE IN. WE BELIEVE
- 15 THAT THIS HALF-CENT SALES TAX WILL ALLOW US TO REACH AS, CHIEF
- 16 BRATTON HAS POINTED OUT, THE TIPPING POINT IN THE FIGHT
- 17 AGAINST CRIME, TO HAVE ENOUGH OFFICERS TO REALLY DO THE JOB,
- 18 TO NOT BE REACTIVE BUT PROACTIVE. WE'VE MADE GREAT STRIDES IN
- 19 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IN BRINGING DOWN CRIME BUT WE COULD
- 20 LOSE THAT MOMENTUM IF WE'RE NOT ABLE TO HAVE ENOUGH RESOURCES.
- 21 BASICALLY, AS YOU'VE SEEN OVER AND OVER AGAIN, WE HAVE HALF
- 22 THE POLICE OFFICERS PER CAPITA THAT A PLACE LIKE NEW YORK CITY
- 23 HAS, SO YOU HAVE-- AND WITH BASICALLY TWICE THE AREA TO COVER.
- 24 SO, GIVEN THAT, IT'S REMARKABLE WHAT THE JOB THE L.A.P.D. HAS
- 25 DONE OVER THESE YEARS. THIS WILL HELP US A LONG WAY, I BELIEVE



- 1 THIS WILL HELP US REACH THAT GOAL, AND WE WILL REACH THAT GOAL
- 2 IF THIS-- OF BEING THE SAFEST BIG CITY IF THIS MEASURE IS
- 3 PASSED. AS TO THE ISSUE OF MATCHING FUNDS, I APPRECIATE
- 4 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S CONCERN ABOUT TAXES AND SUPPLANTING,
- 5 BUT WE'VE HAD A DIFFICULT-- WE HAVE A 20-MILLION-DOLLAR GRANT
- 6 FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RIGHT NOW TO HIRE MORE POLICE OFFICERS
- 7 THAT REOUIRES A 32-MILLION-DOLLAR MATCH, AND WE'VE BEEN UNABLE
- 8 TO COME UP WITH THE MATCHING FUNDS EVEN FOR THAT 20 MILLION.
- 9 SO MATCHING FUNDS, I UNDERSTAND THE THINKING BEHIND IT, BUT IT
- 10 IS VERY, VERY DIFFICULT, ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE FACT THAT THE
- 11 STATE OF CALIFORNIA CONTINUES TO BALANCE ITS BUDGET BY TAKING
- 12 MONEY FROM COUNTIES AND CITIES. AND I KNOW THERE WAS A GREAT
- 13 COALITION HERE, ALEX PADILLA TOLD ME OVER 40 CITIES HERE ARE
- 14 SUPPORTING THIS MEASURE AND SUPPORTING THE SHERIFF. WE'D ASK
- 15 YOU TO LET THE PEOPLE DECIDE, REGARDLESS OF HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT
- 16 IT AS INDIVIDUAL SUPERVISORS, WHETHER YOU THINK IT'S A GOOD
- 17 IDEA. WE'D URGE YOU TO PUT IT ON THE BALLOT AND LET THE PEOPLE
- 18 DECIDE. THANK YOU.

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20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ALEX?

- 22 ALEX PADILLA: THANK YOU, MAYOR. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I
- 23 APPRECIATE THIS OPPORTUNITY AND WE COME TO YOU, REALLY, AS
- 24 COLLEAGUES. YOU ARE OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BUT WE, AS
- 25 COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYORS FROM CITIES LARGE AND SMALL



- 1 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, SHARE THE CHALLENGE WITH YOU OF A
- 2 NUMBER OF ISSUES THAT DEMAND OUR ATTENTION AND OUR ENERGY,
- 3 FROM HOUSING TO TRANSPORTATION TO CREATING QUALITY JOBS FOR
- 4 OUR CONSTITUENTS. BUT NO SINGLE ISSUE STANDS ABOVE ALL OTHERS
- 5 LIKE PUBLIC SAFETY. IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ALONE, AS THE
- 6 MAYOR SAID, WE'RE WORKING HARD TO MAKE LOS ANGELES THE SAFEST
- 7 BIG CITY IN AMERICA. UNFORTUNATELY, WE STILL ARE STRUGGLING TO
- 8 SHED THE TITLE OF THE HOMICIDE CAPITAL OF THE COUNTRY. WITH
- 9 HALF THE POPULATION OF NEW YORK, WE STILL HAVE THAT DUBIOUS
- 10 HONOR AND WE KNOW, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT GANG VIOLENCE ALONE
- 11 ACCOUNTS FOR HALF OF THE HOMICIDES THROUGHOUT THE CITY.
- 12 REDUCING CRIME AND IMPROVING UPON PUBLIC SAFETY IS OUR--
- 13 REMAINS A CHALLENGE, NOT FOR A SHORTAGE OF LEADERSHIP. WE HAVE
- 14 SOME OF THE BEST LAW ENFORCEMENT MINDS IN THE CITY OF LOS
- 15 ANGELES AND THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. IT'S NOT FOR A SHORTAGE OF
- 16 IDEAS AND STRATEGIES. SURELY THOSE STRATEGIES EXIST. IT HAS
- 17 SURELY COME DOWN TO A MATTER OF RESOURCES, THE NUMBER OF MEN
- 18 AND WOMEN IN THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE LOS
- 19 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND AGENCIES THROUGHOUT
- 20 THE COUNTY, TO ACTUALLY IMPLEMENT THESE IDEAS, BOTH CRIME
- 21 PREVENTION STRATEGIES, COMMUNITY-BASED POLICING STRATEGIES,
- 22 AND JUST GENERAL PATROL. AND THAT IS WHY WE BELIEVE THAT A
- 23 CRITICAL COMPONENT TO ADDRESSING THESE ISSUES OF PUBLIC SAFETY
- 24 IS TO DEDICATE A REVENUE STREAMS TO PUT MORE POLICE OFFICERS
- 25 AND MORE SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES ON THE STREETS. AND THE MOTION YOU



- 1 HAVE BEFORE YOU TODAY CAN ACCOMPLISH JUST THAT. I RESPECT THE
- 2 CONVERSATION YOU WILL HAVE OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS ON
- 3 AMENDING AND TWEAKING THE MOTION SO THAT THE LANGUAGE OF IT IS
- 4 NOT ONLY SPECIFIC BUT VERY CAREFULLY OUTLINED. BUT JUST A FEW
- 5 COMMENTS ON THE SPECIFICS. THERE'S ALREADY BEEN ONE MOTION
- 6 THAT WOULD CALL FOR A QUARTER CENT VERSUS A HALF CENT
- 7 INITIATIVE. IF WE'RE GOING TO ASK THE VOTERS TO STRETCH AND
- 8 INVEST IN OUR SINGLE HIGHEST PRIORITY, LET'S GO FOR THE HALF
- 9 CENT. LET'S MAKE THE GENERATION OF RESOURCES AS MEANINGFUL AS
- 10 POSSIBLE. AS THE MAYOR SAID, THE QUESTION OF THE MATCH. AS
- 11 I'VE BEEN TALKING TO MY COLLEAGUES IN CITIES THROUGHOUT THE
- 12 COUNTY, I THINK CITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY ARE HARD-PRESSED
- 13 TO COME UP WITH ANY MATCH. IF THERE WAS ANY SURPLUS DOLLAR
- 14 AMOUNTS THAT WE COULD MAKE AVAILABLE FOR MATCH, WE'D BE
- 15 SPENDING IT ALREADY IN THESE TOUGH ECONOMIC AND BUDGETARY
- 16 TIMES. AND, FINALLY, OUR COMMITMENT TO INCLUDE A MAINTENANCE
- 17 OF EFFORT CLAUSE SO THAT PEOPLE CANNOT ARGUE, CAN SAFELY BE
- 18 ASSURED THAT THE MONIES GENERATED THROUGH THIS INITIATIVE WILL
- 19 SPECIFICALLY GO TO PUBLIC SAFETY AND NOT BE SUPPLANTED THROUGH
- 20 ACCOUNTING MECHANISMS. I WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO NOT ONLY
- 21 THANK MY COLLEAGUES, WHO ARE STANDING BEHIND ME, FOR THEIR
- 22 SUPPORT AND THEIR UNITY IN THIS EFFORT BUT IN THE AUDIENCE,
- 23 MANY WHO WILL COME TO SPEAK. I'D LIKE THE MAYORS AND COUNCIL
- 24 MEMBERS FROM CITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY TO PLEASE STAND AND
- 25 BE SEEN BECAUSE WE HAVE SIGNIFICANT NUMBERS HERE TODAY.



1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THEY ALL SIGNED UP TO SPEAK, AS WELL, ALEX. 2 3 ALEX PADILLA: RIGHT. BUT I WANT YOU TO SEE THE VOLUME WE HAVE 4 5 AND THE MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM, ESPECIALLY. [ APPLAUSE ] 6 ALEX PADILLA: THE MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM, CHIEFS OF POLICE, 7 8 DEPUTY CHIEFS, COMMANDING OFFICERS, ALSO PLEASE STAND TO BE RECOGNIZED. WE HAVE MORE THAN HALF THE CITIES THROUGHOUT THE 9 10 COUNTY HERE, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. [ APPLAUSE ] 11 ALEX PADILLA: MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD, WE HAVE MORE THAN HALF OF 12 THE CITIES IN THE COUNTY REPRESENTS, MANY OF WHICH HAVE PASSED 13 RESOLUTIONS. IT'S A CROSS-SECTION, THE COALITION THAT 14 15 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY MENTIONED, OF CITIES LARGE AND SMALL, 16 FROM AREAS OF THE COUNTY NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, AND WEST. WE'RE 17 UNITED BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT, TO COMBAT CRIME, WE NEED TO GO IT 18 TOGETHER. CRIMINALS DO NOT RESPECT JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES 19 AND CRIMINAL ACTIVITY DOES NOT RESPECT JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES. WE NEED TO ADDRESS THIS TOGETHER. WE NEED TO 20 21 REDUCE VIOLENT CRIME, WE NEED TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE, WE NEED 22 TO WORK COLLECTIVELY, NOT JUST WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, 23 BUT I KNOW SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAS ESPECIALLY BEEN VERY ARTICULATE IN ASKING US TO TAKE UP A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH, 24 NOT JUST INVESTING IN POLICE OFFICERS BUT IN PARK PROGRAMS FOR 25



- 1 YOUNG PEOPLE, LIBRARY PROGRAMS, PREVENTION PROGRAMS, ET
- 2 CETERA. I THINK THE MESSAGE IS CLEAR. I THINK THE MESSAGE IS
- 3 SIMPLE. LET'S GIVE THE VOTERS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AN
- 4 OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THEIR VOICE HEARD THIS NOVEMBER. WE URGE
- 5 YOU, WE IMPLORE YOU TO PLEASE LET THE VOTERS DECIDE.

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7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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- 9 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. CHAIRMAN, CAN I JUST HAVE A POINT... I
- 10 JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE COUNCIL PRESIDENT PADILLA'S ROLE, NOT
- 11 ONLY TODAY, BECAUSE HE HAS GONE BEYOND WHAT HE NEEDED TO DO TO
- 12 MAKE THE CASE, NOT ONLY TO US, BUT IN OTHER CITIES, BUT IN HIS
- 13 CAPACITY AS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF CITIES,
- 14 HE HAS BEEN OPERATIONAL AND EFFECTIVE AND AN ALLY IN THE WHOLE
- 15 BATTLE BETWEEN THE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN TRYING TO
- 16 PROTECT OUR REVENUE STREAMS. AND I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT
- 17 RIGHT HERE AND PUBLICLY. THANK YOU, ALEX.

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- 19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ERICK OR ANYONE OF THE OTHER
- 20 MEMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE...

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- 22 SUP. ANTONOVICH: BY THE WAY, SINCE WE'VE GOT YOU ALL HERE, CAN
- 23 WE TALK ABOUT SUNSHINE CANYON? [ LAUGHTER ]



- 1 ERIC GARCETTI: WE'LL CALL GREG SMITH. WE'LL GET HIM OVER HERE
- 2 RIGHT AWAY.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: TRASH AND PUBLIC SAFETY. WHAT A GREAT
- 5 COMBINATION. ANYWAY...

- 7 ERIC GARCETTI: WE NEED ABOUT A THREE-QUARTER CENT FOR THAT I
- 8 WANT TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. THIS IS MY FIRST TIME
- 9 TESTIFYING HERE AND I WANT TO THANK YOU ON BEHALF WENDY GRUEL
- 10 AND CINDY MEZIKOWSKI AND JAN PERRY, MARTIN LUDLOW, DENNIS ZION
- 11 AND ALL MY COLLEAGUES WHO ARE NOT HERE WHO UNANIMOUSLY PASSED
- 12 A RESOLUTION URGING YOU TO PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT. YOU HAVE
- 13 ALREADY SUCCEEDED TODAY. YOU'VE ALREADY BROUGHT US TOGETHER.
- 14 YOU ARE OUR BOARD. YOU ARE OUR LEADERS. YOU ARE OUR
- 15 SUPERVISORS. AND THIS COALITION THAT WE HAVE OUT THERE IN THE
- 16 AUDIENCE IS HISTORIC. AS WE WERE TALKING TO EACH OTHER,
- 17 IMAGINE IF WE COULD KEEP COMING TOGETHER AND START TALKING
- 18 ABOUT TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC AND COUNTYWIDE PROBLEMS ALL
- 19 THE TIME. WE WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE A LEG UP ON SOME OF THE MOST
- 20 TAXING THINGS THAT FACE US. TODAY, I WANT TO JUST MAKE ONE
- 21 QUICK POINT ABOUT THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASPECTS OF WHAT
- 22 THIS WILL DO. CHIEF BRATTON, WHEN HE WAS IN NEW YORK, DID A
- 23 SIMILAR INCREASE IN TERMS OF REVENUE THAT ALLOWED HIM TO MAKE
- 24 A DRAMATIC INCREASE IN THE HIRING OF A NUMBER OF POLICE
- 25 OFFICERS IN NEW YORK CITY. NEW YORK CITY ENJOYED ITS PROBABLY



- 1 BIGGEST BOOM IN DECADES, WHICH OVER 50 HOTELS WERE BUILT,
- 2 TOURISTS CAME BACK, BUSINESSES STAYED, BUSINESSES CAME. WHEN
- 3 YOU LOOK AT IT FROM THE ASPECT OF ECONOMIC GROWTH AND
- 4 DEVELOPMENT AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR YOUR REVENUE PICTURE, WE
- 5 SIMPLY CANNOT AFFORD NOT TO DO THIS. I ALSO WANT TO SAY THAT,
- 6 IN TERMS OF THE HOMELAND SECURITY ISSUES THAT WE'LL HEAR FROM
- 7 OTHERS, THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO FINALLY TO ACT
- 8 TOGETHER IN CONCERT, FOR US TO BE ABLE TO GET SOME OF THE
- 9 REVENUES, WHICH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN VERY CLEAR WE
- 10 ARE NOT GOING TO BE A HUNDRED PERCENT REIMBURSED FOR. SO I
- 11 WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO PUT ASIDE THAT WE'RE 88
- 12 CITIES TODAY AND BE ONE CITY. I URGE YOU, DO THIS IN A WAY
- 13 WHERE THE VOTERS AND SAY EXACTLY WHAT YOU SAID, CHAIRMAN
- 14 KNABE. THEY KNOW WHERE THEIR MONEY IS GOING AND THEY KNOW THAT
- 15 IT CAN'T BE SWITCHED OUT. THAT HAS BEEN THE INTENTION, I KNOW,
- 16 FOR SHERIFF BACA FROM THE BEGINNING, FOR THOSE OF US THAT HAVE
- 17 BEEN GATHERING SIGNATURES, IT'S USUALLY THE FIRST THING PEOPLE
- 18 SAY TO US, "OH, IT'S JUST GOING TO BE LIKE THE LOTTERY,
- 19 THEY'RE GOING TO SWITCH IT OUT." WE WANT IT WRITTEN IN A WAY
- 20 THAT CAN'T SWITCH IT OUT, THAT BASELINES THE FORCES, THAT
- 21 BASELINES WHAT WE HAVE AND THEN THIS IS FOR ADDITIONAL PUBLIC
- 22 SAFETY. WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND WE URGE YOU TO PUT THIS ON
- 23 THE BALLOT.



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ANY ONE OF THE OTHERS THAT WANT
- 2 TO SAY...? THEY'RE SO SHY AND QUIET. [ LIGHT LAUGHTER ]

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WOW!

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6 MARTIN LUDLOW: GAG ORDER.

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- 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: GAG ORDER! HA-HA! I DON'T BELIEVE THAT,
- 9 MARTIN. THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING DOWN. I'D LIKE TO ASK
- 10 COUNCILWOMAN TOMA REYES URANGA FROM LONG BEACH, MAYOR TODD
- 11 ROGERS, CITY OF LAKEWOOD, JOHN GAINS FROM-- THE HONORABLE JOHN
- 12 GAINS FROM THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO, MAYOR PRO TEM, TO COME
- 13 FORWARD.

- 15 TOMA REYES URANGA: YES. MY NAME IS COUNCIL MEMBER TOMA REYES
- 16 URANGA WITH THE CITY OF LONG BEACH. I HAVE MY CHIEF OF POLICE,
- 17 YOU MAY KNOW OUR CHIEF, TONY BATS, WHO IS HERE IN THE
- 18 AUDIENCE, AND I'M SURE HE'LL BE SPEAKING LATER ON THE
- 19 IMPORTANCE OF THIS ISSUE. ON JANUARY 20TH, THE CITY OF LONG
- 20 BEACH AND LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL PASSED A RESOLUTION IN
- 21 SUPPORT OF THIS MEASURE. WE ASK FOR YOUR HELP AND YOUR
- 22 SUPPORT. OUR PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL ARE REALLY AT-- ARE
- 23 STRETCHED TO THE LIMIT. WE DO HAVE, JUST LIKE THE CITY OF
- 24 L.A., A PORT AND AN AIRPORT THAT REQUIRES ATTENTION BECAUSE OF
- 25 HOMELAND SECURITY NEEDS. WE ARE STRUGGLING IN ORDER TO PROVIDE



- 1 BASIC PUBLIC SERVICES TO OUR RESIDENTS IN LIGHT OF THE GROWING
- 2 ISSUE OF GANGS AND YOUTH CRIME IN OUR CITY. WE NEED YOUR HELP
- 3 AND WE'RE ASKING THAT YOU ALSO MOVE THIS FORWARD AND LET THE
- 4 VOTERS DECIDE THAT WE'RE ABLE TO PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT AND
- 5 HAVE THOSE DOLLARS. AND, FOR THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, THE
- 6 SECOND LARGEST CITY IN L.A. COUNTY, IT'S ALSO THE MOST DIVERSE
- 7 CITY IN L.A. COUNTY. WE HAVE VERY FEW-- WE HAVE NO DIVERSITY
- 8 OF CHOICES WHEN IT COMES TO PUBLIC SAFETY. WE HAVE TO HAVE THE
- 9 ABILITY TO PUT MORE POLICE ON THE STREETS. WE HAVE A FINE
- 10 POLICE DEPARTMENT AND WE NEED THAT ASSISTANCE. AGAIN, OUR
- 11 CHIEF OF POLICE, CHIEF BATS, WHO IS DOING A FANTASTIC JOB IN
- 12 OUR CITY, WILL BE HERE TO TALK ABOUT IT AND WE'RE HOPING THAT
- 13 IT WILL ALLOW US TO PUT MORE POLICE ON THE STREETS AND COMBAT
- 14 CRIME SO THAT WE, TOO, AS A TOURIST DESTINATION, AS ONE OF THE
- 15 FINEST CITIES IN THIS COUNTY, CAN CONTINUE TO DO WHAT IT NEEDS
- 16 TO DO AND THAT'S TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SAFETY AT THE VERY BASIC
- 17 LEVEL TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY. SO I THANK YOU AND I KNOW
- 18 THAT YOU HAVE, IN THE NEXT FEW MEETINGS AHEAD, A REAL JOB IN
- 19 HAVING TO PUT THIS TOGETHER AND TRY TO KEEP EVERYONE SATISFIED
- 20 WITH WHAT THEY WANT BUT, TO THE CORE, SPEAKING TO THE VERY
- 21 BASIC CORE AND THE INTENT OF THIS MEASURE, IT'S TO PUT POLICE
- 22 ON THE STREETS. AND SO WE ASK THAT YOU HELP US DO THAT.
- 24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, TOMA, THANKS FOR COMING DOWN.
- 25 JOHN OR TODD? WHOEVER.



- 2 JOHN GAINS: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, GOOD TO SEE YOU TODAY,
- 3 MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M JOHN GAINS.
- 4 I'M THE MAYOR PRO TEM OF THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO. I'M ALSO
- 5 JOINED BY MY POLICE CHIEF HERE TODAY, JACK WAIT IS WITH US
- 6 HERE. I WANT TO TAKE JUST A MOMENT TO THANK SHERIFF BACA FOR
- 7 BRINGING US TOGETHER ON THIS ISSUE. IT'S BEEN HARD WORK BUT
- 8 IT'S BEEN WELL WORTH IT, I BELIEVE, TO GET US TO THIS POINT.
- 9 THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO WAS VERY PROUD TO OFFICIALLY ADOPT A
- 10 POSITION IN SUPPORT OF THIS INITIATIVE EARLY ON IN THE PROCESS
- 11 AND WE CONTINUE THAT SUPPORT. I WANT TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE BIT
- 12 OF A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE, MAYBE. YOU HAVE HEARD AND YOU WILL
- 13 CONTINUE TO HEAR SOME VERY ELOQUENT WORDS ABOUT WHY THIS IS A
- 14 GOOD INITIATIVE TO TAKE TO THE PEOPLE. BUT, AS A SMALL CITY
- 15 WITH ONLY 16,000 RESIDENTS, THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO IS IN A
- 16 VERY UNIQUE POSITION. WE HAVE A DAYTIME POPULATION OF ABOUT A
- 17 HUNDRED THOUSAND PEOPLE. WE ARE ON THE BORDER OF LOS ANGELES
- 18 INTERNATIONAL. WE HAVE, WITHIN OUR BOUNDARIES, A MAJOR OIL
- 19 REFINERY, DEFENSE AND AEROSPACE COMPANIES THAT ARE CRITICAL TO
- 20 OUR NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE, AND IT FALLS ON THE SHOULDER OF
- 21 JACK WAIT AND THE MEN AND WOMEN OF OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT, AS
- 22 THE DAYS GO BY, TO PROVIDE SECURITY, NOT ONLY FOR OUR
- 23 RESIDENTS, BUT FOR THAT CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE FOR OUR
- 24 COUNTRY, INCLUDING LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE. AND JACK AND I
- 25 HAVE TALKED ABOUT THIS MANY TIMES, THE STRESS THAT OUR SYSTEM



- I IS UNDER IN TRYING TO PROVIDE THAT SECURITY IN THESE TIMES. I
- 2 WAS IN NEW YORK ON SEPTEMBER 11TH. I SAW WHAT HAPPENED THERE
- 3 AND I SEE HOW THE CITY OF NEW YORK HAS REACTED. IT'S A
- 4 DIFFERENT PLACE TODAY AND THERE ARE SOME REALITIES THAT OUR
- 5 MEN AND WOMEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT DEAL WITH, AND THOSE
- 6 REALITIES ARE THAT YOU HAVE TO BE PREPARED FOR THE EVENTUALITY
- 7 AND THE EVENTUALITY OF AN EVENT IN LOS ANGELES IS HIGH AND, IN
- 8 EL SEGUNDO, IT'S HIGH. AND I LAY AWAKE AT NIGHT AND I CAN'T
- 9 STAND THE THOUGHT OF HAVING A PHONE CALL IN THE MORNING THAT
- 10 SAID, "YOU WEREN'T PREPARED. YOU DIDN'T DO EVERYTHING
- 11 NECESSARY TO GIVE YOUR PUBLIC SAFETY PEOPLE THE BEST CHANCE
- 12 AVAILABLE TO PROTECT OUR CITIZENS AND OUR INFRASTRUCTURE." I
- 13 PLEAD WITH YOU, LET'S TAKE IT TO THE PEOPLE, LET'S HAVE THE
- 14 PEOPLE VOTE ON IT. IT'S SOMETHING THAT IS ABSOLUTELY
- 15 IMPERATIVE TO US. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND I AGAIN IMPLORE
- 16 YOU, LET'S TAKE IT TO THE PEOPLE.

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18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MAYOR ROGERS?

- 20 MAYOR TODD ROGERS: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
- 21 TODD ROGERS, MAYOR OR LAKEWOOD. I'M JOINED BY THE VICE-MAYOR,
- 22 WAYNE PIERCEY, HERE ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE LAKEWOOD CITY
- 23 COUNCIL, WHO STRONGLY ENDORSES PLACING THIS MATTER BEFORE THE
- 24 VOTERS TO DECIDE. WE BELIEVE THEY'RE IN THE BEST POSITION TO
- 25 MAKE THIS CRITICAL DECISION. WE WOULD ALSO ASK, ON BEHALF OF



- 1 CONTRACT CITIES, THAT, AS WE GO THROUGH THE PROCESS OF
- 2 REVISING AND VETTING THE FINAL LANGUAGE FOR THIS PROPOSAL,
- 3 THAT THE CONTRACT CITIES BE BROUGHT TO THE TABLE AND BE
- 4 ALLOWED TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK, CRITICAL FEEDBACK BEFORE THE
- 5 FINAL BALLOT MEASURE IS CRAFTED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I ALSO UNDERSTAND CONTRACT
- 8 CITIES IS NEUTRAL ON THIS BALLOT MEASURE AT THIS PARTICULAR
- 9 POINT AS AN ASSOCIATION, IS THAT CORRECT?

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11 MAYOR TODD ROGERS: YES.

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13 SUP. MOLINA: MR. CHAIRMAN, MAY I ASK A QUESTION?

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15 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SURE.

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- 17 SUP. MOLINA: UNDER THIS PROPOSAL, YOU'RE ONE OF THE CONTRACT
- 18 CITIES, LAKEWOOD WOULD RECEIVE APPROXIMATELY \$4 MILLION. HOW
- 19 DO YOU THINK YOU WOULD UTILIZE THOSE DOLLARS?

- 21 MAYOR TODD ROGERS: WELL, FIRST OF ALL, NO COMMUNITY HAS ENOUGH
- 22 POLICE OFFICERS ON THE STREET, SO THAT WOULD BE A NUMBER ONE
- 23 PRIORITY. WE ALSO CONCENTRATE ON VIOLENCE PREVENTION,
- 24 ESPECIALLY DEALING WITH YOUTH, YOUTH INTERVENTION PREVENTION



- I PROGRAMS. SO THOSE WOULD BE TWO PRIORITIES THAT THE LAKEWOOD
- 2 CITY COUNCIL WOULD...

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- 4 SUP. MOLINA: SO HOW WOULD YOU APPROACH IT AS A CONTRACT CITY?
- 5 WOULD YOU BUY OR PURCHASE MORE SERVICES FROM THE SHERIFF?

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- 7 MAYOR TODD ROGERS: IT WOULD BE A COMBINATION. WE COULD HIRE
- 8 ADDITIONAL DEPUTY SHERIFFS WHO COULD BE THE MENTORS FOR YOUTH
- 9 INTERVENTION PROGRAMS. ANOTHER THING THAT WE'VE RECENTLY DONE
- 10 WAS HIRE OUR OWN COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS WHO WILL AUGMENT
- 11 THE STAFFING WE HAVE FOR THE SHERIFF'S STATION. SO THOSE ARE
- 12 ACTUALLY CITY EMPLOYEES WHO WORK IN A QUASI-LAW ENFORCEMENT
- 13 CAPACITY.

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- 15 SUP. MOLINA: SO RIGHT NOW, YOUR CONTRACT WITH THE SHERIFF'S
- 16 DEPARTMENT IS WHAT?

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18 MAYOR TODD ROGERS: ABOUT \$7.5 MILLION.

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20 SUP. MOLINA: AND SO THIS IS, ALMOST WHAT, 50%?

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22 MAYOR TODD ROGERS: LITTLE BIT OVER 50%.



- 1 SUP. MOLINA: OVER 50% INCREASE THAT WOULD GO IN, BUT THAT
- 2 DOESN'T AUTOMATICALLY SAY THAT YOU WOULD GIVE A 50% INCREASE
- 3 OF YOUR CONTRACT OVER TO THE SHERIFF.

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- 5 MAYOR TODD ROGERS: THAT WOULD BE A DECISION BY THE CITY
- 6 COUNCIL TO MAKE.

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- 8 SUP. MOLINA: I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, I GUESS
- 9 MY ISSUE IS, AND THE CONTRACT CITIES HAVE STAYED SILENT ON
- 10 THIS ISSUE, IS THE ISSUE OF-- WE'RE LOOKING AT THE CONTRACT
- 11 AMOUNT THAT IS GOING IN. AND, FOR EXAMPLE, IF, IN FACT,
- 12 THERE'S A LOT OF NEEDS THAT THE SHERIFF HAS, AS YOU'VE SEEN IN
- 13 MANY AREAS WHERE THE CONTRACT CITIES DON'T NECESSARILY
- 14 REIMBURSE EXACTLY FOR THE OVERALL NEED, COULD YOU SEE AN
- 15 ADJUSTMENT THAT WOULD BE MADE? IF ALL YOU DID WAS PURCHASE
- 16 MORE AT THE SAME PRICE THAT YOU'RE GETTING NOW, THAT WOULD
- 17 STILL PUT US IN SORT OF A DILEMMA BECAUSE WE WOULDN'T HAVE
- 18 ENOUGH-- IT DOESN'T COVER ALL OF THE EXACT SALARIES AND ALL OF
- 19 THE OTHER OVERHEAD AND RESPONSIBILITIES THAT WE HAVE FOR EACH
- 20 OF THE DEPUTIES THAT PATROL YOUR COMMUNITY. HOW WOULD WE
- 21 RECONCILE THAT AND HOW WOULD THAT WORK WITH THE CONTRACT
- 22 CITIES, AS YOU SEE IT?

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24 MAYOR TODD ROGERS: THAT'S A COMPLICATED QUESTION.



- 1 SUP. MOLINA: OH, I KNOW IT IS. THAT'S WHY I'M HERE TRYING TO
- 2 FIGURE OUT HOW WE RESOLVE THESE COMPLICATED ISSUES BECAUSE,
- 3 OTHERWISE, I'M LOOKING AT IT AS BEING-- THIS IS A VERY HEFTY
- 4 INCREASE FOR LAKEWOOD. AND I COULD UNDERSTAND, IF I WERE A
- 5 RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD, I WOULD LOOK AT IT AS SAYING I'M GOING
- 6 TO GET ADDITIONAL POLICE COVERAGE, MORE DEPUTIES ON THE
- 7 STREET. THAT'S AN ASSUMPTION SOMEBODY MAKES. BUT I GUESS, ON
- 8 THIS HAND, WHEN YOU'RE A CONTRACT CITY, I'M TRYING TO
- 9 UNDERSTAND HOW, WHEN YOU BUY MORE SERVICE, AND IF IT'S
- 10 ALREADY-- AS WE'RE LOOKING INTO THAT WHOLE ISSUE OF OVERHEAD
- 11 AND OTHER KIND OF RESPONSIBILITIES THAT AREN'T NECESSARILY
- 12 COVERED UNDER THE CONTRACT, THAT KIND OF PUTS US IN A DEEPER
- 13 DEFICIT IN ORDER TO PROVIDE YOU MORE OF THE SAME. AND SO I'M
- 14 TRYING TO UNDERSTAND. AND WITH THE CONTRACT CITIES NOT
- 15 WEIGHING IN ON THIS, IT MAKES IT HARD FOR ME TO UNDERSTAND HOW
- 16 THOSE MONIES ARE GOING TO BE UTILIZED. AND THERE'S NOTHING
- 17 WRONG. THERE'S NO DOUBT. YOU'RE EMPOWERED, AS THE CITY
- 18 COUNCIL, TO MAKE THAT DETERMINATION AND THAT DECISION BUT, AS
- 19 YOU APPROACH THIS AS A CONTRACT CITY, I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND
- 20 HOW IT WOULD BE UTILIZED AND HOW IT WOULD BE APPROACHED. I
- 21 DON'T KNOW THAT YOU HAVE THE ANSWER HERE TODAY BUT I WOULD BE
- 22 INTERESTED IN HEARING FROM YOU OR ANY OF THE OTHER CONTRACT
- 23 CITIES AS TO HOW THEY WOULD APPROACH IT BECAUSE I WANT TO
- 24 UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS GOING TO GO INTO LAW ENFORCEMENT. I DO
- 25 WANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT IS IT GOING TO CREATE A DEEPER DEFICIT



- I IN THAT RATIO OF PROVIDING THOSE SERVICES BY OUR DEPUTY
- 2 SHERIFFS. SO ANYTHING YOU COULD DO TO HELP ME GET THOSE
- 3 ANSWERS. I KNOW IT'S COMPLICATED, BUT I'D APPRECIATE WHATEVER
- 4 INPUT YOU COULD PROVIDE.

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- 6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR MOLINA, I JUST WOULD ADD, I
- 7 DIDN'T-- MY QUESTION ON NEUTRALITY, I DIDN'T WANT TO-- THEY'RE
- 8 NOT WEIGHING IN, BUT THEY, AS WELL, AND OTHERS, ARE WAITING ON
- 9 THE FINAL LANGUAGE BEFORE THEY WEIGH IN ON THE WHOLE ISSUE
- 10 HERE.

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- 12 SUP. MOLINA: I UNDERSTAND BUT I'M ASKING A QUESTION. IF THEY
- 13 WERE TO GET IT AND IF THEY WERE TO UTILIZE IT, WHAT ARE SOME
- 14 OF THE WAYS THAT THEY WOULD APPROACH-- I MEAN, ONE, OF COURSE,
- 15 IS JUST TO BUY THE SERVICE, BUT THAT'S WHAT I NEED TO KNOW OR
- 16 UNDERSTAND.

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18 MAYOR TODD ROGERS: MAY I RESPOND BRIEFLY?

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20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SURE.

- 22 MAYOR TODD ROGERS: PHILOSOPHICALLY, I DON'T THINK THE LAKEWOOD
- 23 CITY COUNCIL, JUST SPEAKING FOR US, WOULD BE OPPOSED TO
- 24 ASSISTING COUNTYWIDE SERVICES. CERTAINLY WE BENEFIT, WE'RE A
- 25 RECEIVER OF COUNTYWIDE SERVICES. THAT'S WHY I THINK IT'S



- 1 CRITICAL THAT, NOT JUST THE CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION, BUT
- 2 THE INDIVIDUAL CITIES, BE PROVIDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO WEIGH IN
- 3 ON THE FINAL LANGUAGE BECAUSE YOU PROBABLY WOULD FIND A GREAT
- 4 DEAL OF CONSENSUS IN TERMS OF BEING ABLE TO AUGMENT OUR DIRECT
- 5 LAW ENFORCEMENT BUDGET AND THE COUNTYWIDE SERVICES THAT WE ALL
- 6 BENEFIT FROM.

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- 8 SUP. MOLINA: WELL, AND I APPRECIATE IT BECAUSE I THINK YOU
- 9 HEARD THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY WEIGH IN AS WELL. I MEAN, WE HAVE-
- 10 WE NEED THE DOLLARS TO PROSECUTE AND TO HIRE MORE
- 11 PROSECUTORS. WE NEED MORE CUSTODY FACILITIES AND DEPUTIES IN
- 12 CUSTODY. WE NEED OTHER KINDS OF THINGS THAT DON'T DIRECTLY
- 13 SAY, BUT IN ORDER FOR PATROLS TO BE EFFECTIVE IN A COMMUNITY,
- 14 THEY HAVE TO HAVE THESE OTHER SUPPORTIVE SERVICES, AND THIS
- 15 LANGUAGE IS VERY, VERY UNCLEAR. SO ANYTHING YOU COULD DO TO
- 16 HELP US STRENGTHEN THAT END OF IT, I'D BE INTERESTED IN
- 17 HEARING, BECAUSE THAT CERTAINLY WOULD MOTIVATE ME TO BE MUCH
- 18 MORE SUPPORTIVE OF IT THAN IT IS AS IS TODAY. SO ANYTHING YOU
- 19 COULD DO TODAY WOULD BE HELPFUL TO ME.

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21 MAYOR TODD ROGERS: WE'LL DO THAT. THANK YOU.

- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING DOWN.
- 24 NEXT, I WOULD INVITE CHIEF BRATTON, CHIEF BATS FROM LONG
- 25 BEACH, AND CHIEF JAMES HERON, WHO IS CURRENTLY THE PRESIDENT



- 1 OF THE L.A. COUNTY POLICE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION. IF THE THREE OF
- 2 YOU WOULD COME UP AS WELL. AND I'D INVITE CHIEF RANDY ADAMS
- 3 FROM GLENDALE TO JOIN THEM AS WELL, TOO. CHIEF BRATTON, IF
- 4 YOU'D LIKE TO START OR WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO NEXT.

- 6 CHIEF WILLIAM BRATTON: WELL, I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH
- 7 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON THIS EXTRAORDINARILY IMPORTANT
- 8 ISSUE. FIRST OBLIGATION OF GOVERNMENT IN ANY DEMOCRATIC
- 9 SOCIETY IS CERTAINLY PUBLIC SAFETY. WE HAVE, WITH THIS
- 10 INITIATIVE, A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY IN THE GOLDEN STATE FOR THE
- 11 FIRST TIME IN MODERN TIMES TO DELIVER ON THAT OBLIGATION. WE,
- 12 AND I MEAN COLLECTIVELY "WE", GOVERNMENT, HAVE BEEN VERY
- 13 DEFICIENT IN OUR DELIVERANCE OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO THE RESIDENTS
- 14 OF THIS CITY, MY CITY, LOS ANGELES, AND THIS COUNTY. AND WE
- 15 NOW HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE UP FOR THAT. IN THE PAST 20
- 16 YEARS IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, OVER 10,000 YOUNG PEOPLE
- 17 HAVE LOST THEIR LIVES TO GANG VIOLENCE AND OTHER FORMS OF
- 18 VIOLENCE. MY COMMITMENT, MY STRONG BELIEF, IS THAT, IF GIVEN
- 19 THESE RESOURCES OVER THE NEXT THREE TO FOUR YEARS, BECAUSE IT
- 20 WOULD TAKE US THAT LONG TO HIRE UP THE APPROXIMATELY 1,800
- 21 POLICE OFFICERS THAT THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT WOULD
- 22 RECEIVE, THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO DELIVER THE TIPPING POINT
- 23 THAT MAYOR HAHN REFERENCED, THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO DELIVER A
- 24 50% REDUCTION IN VIOLENT CRIME IN THIS CITY DURING THAT PERIOD
- 25 OF TIME. THE ECONOMIC IMPACT THAT COUNCIL MEMBER GARCETTI



- 1 REFERENCED TO THE CITY AND COUNTY WOULD BE PHENOMENAL. EACH
- 2 LIFE SAVED, EACH OF THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WOULD NOT BE
- 3 MURDERED, THE ECONOMIC BENEFIT TO THIS CITY AND COUNTY IS \$1
- 4 MILLION BECAUSE THAT'S THE ACTUAL COST OF A HOMICIDE IN THIS
- 5 COUNTY TO THE ECONOMIC VITALITY. ONE MILLION. IN LOS ANGELES
- 6 THIS YEAR, WE SET A GOAL OF A 20% REDUCTION IN VIOLENT CRIME.
- 7 THE REASON FOR THAT GOAL IS, ONE, WE FELT WE HAD THE POTENTIAL
- 8 CAPACITY TO REACH IT, BUT, TWO, THE ECONOMIC BENEFIT TO THE
- 9 CITY OF LOS ANGELES WOULD BE \$1 BILLION IN TERMS OF LIVES
- 10 SAVED, JOBS NOT LOST. THE BENEFIT OF 1,800 ADDITIONAL POLICE
- 11 OFFICERS TO THE COUNTY ECONOMY WOULD BE IN EXCESS OF \$2.5
- 12 BILLION, LIVES SAVED, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY PROVIDED. I SPEAK
- 13 FROM EXPERIENCE BECAUSE, AS REFERENCED AT MY PREVIOUS
- 14 EXPERIENCE IN NEW YORK CITY, THAT'S HOW IT GOT DONE. AND THE
- 15 GOOD NEWS IS THE BENEFITS ALSO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SYSTEM THAT
- 16 WE HAVE TO BE ENGAGED IN. YOU CANNOT ARREST YOUR WAY OUT OF
- 17 THIS PROBLEM, YOU CANNOT POLICE YOUR WAY OUT OF THIS PROBLEM.
- 18 WE NEED MORE AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, WE NEED JOBS AS
- 19 ALTERNATIVES, BUT THE FIRST ALTERNATIVE, THE FIRST CATALYST
- 20 THAT'S NECESSARY, IS PUBLIC SAFETY. WE CAN DELIVER THAT VERY
- 21 QUICKLY, MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES, AND WE PLEAD FOR THE
- 22 OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE THIS MEASURE TO THE VOTERS AND MAKE THE
- 23 CASE TO HAVE THIS GOVERNMENT, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN RECENT
- 24 HISTORY, DELIVER ON THE PROMISE AND OBLIGATION OF PUBLIC
- 25 SAFETY. THANK YOU.



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- 2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, CHIEF. CHIEF BATS, WELCOME. DID
- 3 A GREAT JOB DOWN THERE IN LONG BEACH.

- 5 CHIEF BATS: THANK YOU, SIR, I APPRECIATE THAT. MR. KNABE,
- 6 SUPERVISORS, IT'S A HONOR AND I'M HUMBLED TO BE ABLE TO COME
- 7 BEFORE THE COUNTY LEADERS AND I ASK FOR AND OPPORTUNITY OF
- 8 SHORT DURATION TO SHARE WITH YOU WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CITY
- 9 OF LONG BEACH AND HOW THIS WOULD HELP US AND ASSIST US. SEE, I
- 10 GREW UP IN THE STREETS OF LOS ANGELES, IN AN AREA THAT THEY
- 11 NOW CALL SOFT LOS ANGELES. I CALL THAT HOME. AND ONE OF THE
- 12 DRIVING FORCES FOR ME THAT IMPACTED MY LIFE WAS A INTERVENTION
- 13 PROGRAM CALLED THE POLICE EXPLORER PROGRAM, AND YOU CAN SEE
- 14 WHAT A DIFFERENCE THAT HAS MADE IN MY LIFE UP UNTIL TODAY. IN
- 15 THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, LAST YEAR, I HAD TO REDUCE MY
- 16 ORGANIZATION BY 39 POSITIONS. THIS YEAR-- OR NEXT YEAR, I'LL
- 17 HAVE TO REDUCE IT FURTHER BY 50 POSITIONS. WHAT THAT MEANS IS
- 18 THAT I WILL TAKE AWAY PROGRAMS MUCH LIKE OUR POLICE EXPLORER
- 19 PROGRAM, OUR D.A.R.E. PROGRAM, OUR COMMUNITY POLICING
- 20 PROGRAMS, THOSE INTERVENTION PROGRAMS THAT ARE SO NECESSARY IN
- 21 A URBAN ENVIRONMENT TO HELP WITH THE COMMUNITY. MY NUMBER ONE
- 22 GOAL IS OUR CORE MISSION, IS WHEN A PERSON PICKS UP THE PHONE
- 23 AND SAYS, "I NEED A POLICE OFFICER THERE," WE GET THERE IN A
- 24 TIMELY FASHION AND WE DO A PROFESSIONAL JOB. IF WE DO NOT HAVE
- 25 THIS ON THE BALLOT, IF THIS IS NOT VOTED UPON IN THE CITY OF



- 1 LONG BEACH, WE WILL BECOME A ONE- DIMENSIONAL POLICE
- 2 ORGANIZATION FOCUSED ON JUST RESPONDING TO CRIME. YOUNG PEOPLE
- 3 IN URBAN ENVIRONMENTS TODAY NEED INTERVENTION, THEY NEED
- 4 PREVENTION. WE ALSO NEED TO ENSURE THAT OUR KIDS CAN WALK TO
- 5 THE CORNER STORE SAFELY. WE TALK ABOUT HAVING MORE LIBRARIES,
- 6 WE TALK ABOUT HAVING MORE PARKS, AND THEY ARE VERY MUCH
- 7 NECESSARY. HOWEVER, A CHILD NEEDS TO HAVE THE ABILITY TO
- 8 ARRIVE AT THAT LOCATION SAFELY AND THAT'S WHAT THIS ENSURES.
- 9 FOR THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, THIS EQUATES TO ABOUT 20 TO \$22
- 10 MILLION WITH THE INITIATIVE, WITH THE PASSING OF THE
- 11 INITIATIVE. THIS EQUATES TO ABOUT 130 TO 135 MORE POLICE
- 12 OFFICERS FOR THIS CITY, A DRAMATIC IMPACT, SOMETHING THAT WE
- 13 NEED. I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR A HALF A MILLION PEOPLE 24 HOURS A
- 14 DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK. AND WHAT I AM ASKING IS THAT WE PAY 25
- 15 CENTS A DAY, 25 CENTS A DAY TO SAVE A YOUNG CHILD'S LIFE.
- 16 WE'RE ASKING FOR A MINIMAL AMOUNT TO SAVE A CHILD'S LIFE. I
- 17 THINK THIS COUNTY HAS BECOME VERY NUMB TO THE DEATH AND
- 18 DESTRUCTION THAT TAKES PLACE ON A NIGHTLY BASIS. YOU TURN ON
- 19 THE NEWS AND YOU SEE IT ON A REGULAR BASIS, GANG SHOOTINGS,
- 20 GANG VIOLENCE. WE'RE NUMB TO THE GRAFFITI THAT TAKES PLACE IN
- 21 OUR CITIES, THEY LINE OUR FREEWAYS AND THE STREETS THAT WE
- 22 LIVE UPON. WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE HERE.
- 23 I'VE COME BEFORE YOU TO ASK LET'S PLACE THIS ON THE BALLOT AND
- 24 LET'S HAVE THE SUPPORT, AND I HAVE TO THANK SHERIFF BACA FOR
- 25 HAVING THE COURAGE TO STAND OUT IN FRONT. AND I THINK YOU CAN



- 1 SEE THE SUPPORT, IF YOU LOOK OVER MY LEFT SHOULDER, AT ALL MY
- 2 PEERS THAT ARE HERE TODAY TAKING TIME OUT OF THEIR BUSY
- 3 SCHEDULES TO ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, CHIEF. WOULD WE GET A COUPLE
- 6 OFFICERS DOWN ON PINE AVENUE FOR THE BLUE LINE?

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8 CHIEF BATS: GUARANTEED, SIR.

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10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: (LAUGHTER).

- 12 JIM HERON: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
- 13 OF SUPERVISORS. I'M JIM HERON AND IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE
- 14 THIS MORNING TO ADDRESS YOUR HONORABLE BODY. I REPRESENT THE
- 15 LOS ANGELES COUNTY POLICE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION, WHICH, WITH ONE
- 16 VOICE TODAY, WE ARE SPEAKING FOR 45 MUNICIPAL POLICE CHIEFS.
- 17 45 MUNICIPAL POLICE CHIEFS WHICH SUPPORT A MEASURE THAT
- 18 SHERIFF LEE BACA HAS TIRELESSLY WORKED ON FOR MANY, MANY
- 19 MONTHS. THE REASON THAT WE WANT TO SUPPORT AND STRONGLY
- 20 ENCOURAGE THIS HONORABLE BODY TO PLACE THIS ON THE BALLOT IN
- 21 NOVEMBER IS BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT WE CAN IMPACT CRIME HERE IN
- 22 THE COUNTY BUT WE KNOW THAT WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT ADDITIONAL
- 23 FUNDING. THAT'S JUST ONE OF THE REALITIES THAT WE FACE TODAY.
- 24 WE HAVE THE STRATEGIES, WE KNOW HOW TO DO IT, BUT WE NEED
- 25 MORE, WE NEED THE MONEY. WE NEED TO HAVE ADEQUATE STAFFING, WE



- 1 NEED TO HAVE IMPROVED TRAINING AND WE NEED TO HAVE EXCELLENT
- 2 EQUIPMENT TO ENGAGE THE STRATEGIES THAT WE ALREADY HAVE
- 3 DEVELOPED. WITH THOSE THINGS IN PLACE, WE CAN HAVE A REAL
- 4 IMPACT ON THE ECONOMIC VIABILITY AND REVITALIZATION OF THE
- 5 COUNTY-BASED BUDGET. IT'S OUR GROUP'S INTENT TODAY TO STAND
- 6 FIRMLY WITH SHERIFF BACA, CHIEF BRATTON, CHIEF BATS AND CHIEF
- 7 ADAMS AS WE REQUEST YOU TO PUT THIS ON THE INITIATIVE FOR THE
- 8 BALLOT IN NOVEMBER. THANK YOU.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, CHIEF. THANKS FOR COMING DOWN.
- 11 CHIEF ADAMS?

- 13 CHIEF ADAMS: YES, MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
- 14 SUPERVISORS. I WOULD LIKE TO JOIN MY FELLOW CHIEFS IN ASKING
- 15 YOU TO VOTE TO PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT. LET THE VOTERS DECIDE
- 16 WHETHER THEY CAN SUPPORT THIS BADLY NEEDED, SORELY NEEDED
- 17 INCREASE IN STAFFING. SPEAKING SPECIFICALLY TO THE CITY OF
- 18 GLENDALE, WE'RE THE THIRD LARGEST CITY IN LOS ANGELES AND YET
- 19 WE HAVE REALIZED THAT OUR STAFFING THERE IS WOELY
- 20 UNDERSTAFFED. WE NEED TO INCREASE THE STAFFING OF OUR
- 21 DEPARTMENT BY 40% AND WE'VE ACTUALLY MADE A PROPOSAL AND
- 22 PRESENTED TO OUR CITY COUNCIL A VERY AGGRESSIVE PLAN TO
- 23 INCREASE THE STAFFING IN OUR CITY, THE SWORN STAFFING, BY OVER
- 24 40%. THE COUNCIL HAS EMBRACED THAT PLAN AND HAS REALLY GONE
- 25 OUT ON A LIMB TO BASICALLY SAY THAT THEY WANT TO JOIN IN



- I INCREASING THE POLICE STAFFING IN THE CITY. IN ORDER TO DO
- 2 THAT, THOUGH, THEY'RE LOOKING FOR FUNDING MECHANISMS TO ALLOW
- 3 THAT TO OCCUR. SHERIFF BACA'S INITIATIVE, IF PLACED ON THE
- 4 BALLOT AND IF SUCCESSFUL, WILL ALLOW US TO FUND OVER HALF OF
- 5 THAT INCREASE. WE DESPERATELY NEED THAT IN GLENDALE. RECENTLY,
- 6 YOU SAW THAT GLENDALE ROSE TO A POSITION OF THE FIFTH SAFEST
- 7 LARGE CITY IN THE NATION. SO YOU MIGHT SAY, WELL, THE MEN AND
- 8 WOMEN OF THE GLENDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT ARE DOING A FANTASTIC
- 9 JOB AND THEY ARE. THE PROBLEM IS THAT, LIKE MANY OF MY
- 10 COLLEAGUES THAT ARE UP HERE, WE ARE BECOMING MORE AND MORE
- 11 REACTIVE IN OUR ABILITY TO ENFORCE CRIME RATHER THAN
- 12 PROACTIVE. AS A LARGE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT, I HAVE VERY FEW
- 13 INDIVIDUALS DEVOTED TO ANY TYPE OF CRIME PREVENTION
- 14 ACTIVITIES. I HAVE HAD TO PULL PEOPLE FROM THOSE DISCRETIONARY
- 15 SERVICES INTO DIRECT LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES AT THE LINE
- 16 LEVEL TO RESPOND TO SIMPLY CALLS FOR SERVICE IN ORDER TO KEEP
- 17 UP WITH THOSE CALLS. AND, UNFORTUNATELY, ALTHOUGH WE'RE ABLE
- 18 TO RESPOND TO EMERGENCY CALLS QUITE QUICKLY, THE SECONDARY AND
- 19 UNDERLYING CRIMINAL ACTIVITY THAT'S GOING ON CAN'T BE
- 20 RESPONDED TO AS QUICKLY AS IT USED TO BE. THIS INITIATIVE WILL
- 21 HELP US IN THE WAR AGAINST TERRORISM, IN THE WAR AGAINST
- 22 CRIME, TO BE ABLE TO PUT FRONT LINE LAW ENFORCEMENT ON THE
- 23 STREET AND NOT TO SUPPLANT THE BUDGET. IT WILL REALLY ALLOW US
- 24 TO HAVE A STEP UP, IF YOU WILL, IN OUR BATTLE AGAINST CRIME.
- 25 AND I URGE YOU TO PLACE IT ON THE BALLOT AND TO SUPPORT LAW



- 1 ENFORCEMENT, WHO'S JOINED TOGETHER TO SUPPORT THIS INITIATIVE.
- 2 IT'S SIGNIFICANT THAT AS MANY OF MY COLLEAGUES FROM THROUGHOUT
- 3 LOS ANGELES ARE TOGETHER TODAY IN SUPPORT OF THIS INITIATIVE.
- 4 THAT MEANS WE AGREE WITH THE FORMULA. THAT MEANS THAT WE
- 5 BELIEVE THAT THE INITIATIVE, IF PLACED ON THE BALLOT AND IF
- 6 APPROVED, IS FAIR. IT'S FAIR TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,
- 7 IT'S FAIR TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND IT'S FAIR TO ALL OF
- 8 THE INDIVIDUAL CITIES REPRESENTED IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 9 ANGELES. THAT'S WHY WE HAVE JOINED TOGETHER, THAT'S WHY WE'RE
- 10 HERE, AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE URGING YOU TO PLACE THIS ON THE
- 11 BALLOT.

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- 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING DOWN.
- 14 APPRECIATE IT. NEXT I'D ASK MANUEL ORTEGA FROM THE BELL
- 15 GARDENS POLICE DEPARTMENT, TED HUNT, MAYOR BLANCA FIGUEROA,
- 16 MAYOR PRO TEM LETICIA VASQUEZ. IF THEY WOULD COME FORWARD.
- 17 YES. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO FIRST, PLEASE PROCEED.

- 19 LETICIA VASQUEZ: GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
- 20 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LETICIA VASQUEZ AND I'M THE MAYOR PRO
- 21 TEM IN THE CITY OF LYNWOOD. I STAND HERE THIS MORNING URGING
- 22 YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY IN HOMELAND SECURITY
- 23 INITIATIVE TO BE PLACED ON THIS NOVEMBER'S BALLOT. OUR STATE'S
- 24 BUDGET CRISIS HAS MADE IT CLEAR THERE ARE CITIES GENERAL FUND
- 25 REVENUES SUCH AS THE VEHICLE LICENSE FEES AND SALES AND



- 1 PROPERTY TAXES ARE IN JEOPARDY OF BEING FURTHER REDUCED AND
- 2 RAIDED BY OUR STATE LEGISLATOR. FURTHERMORE, WE'VE LOST OVER
- 3 60% OF OUR FEDERAL GRANTS WITHIN THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, AND
- 4 NOW WE'RE IN JEOPARDY OF LOSING MORE FUNDING. CURRENTLY, THE
- 5 CITY OF LYNWOOD HAS A TOTAL OF THREE TO FOUR SHERIFFS
- 6 PATROLLING THE CITY, SO WE ARE HERE STANDING WITH OUR SHERIFFS
- 7 IN SUPPORT OF THIS VERY IMPORTANT INITIATIVE. THE CITY OF
- 8 LYNWOOD STANDS TO EARN \$3.6 MILLION IN ANNUAL FUNDS TO IMPROVE
- 9 OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES. TO LYNWOOD, THIS MEANS MORE
- 10 POLICE OFFICERS IN OUR STREETS AND IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS.
- 11 LYNWOOD'S SITUATION MIRRORS MANY OF THOSE CITIES THROUGHOUT
- 12 L.A. COUNTY. I URGE EVERYONE'S SUPPORT OF THIS INITIATIVE. WE
- 13 ALL WANT A SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD TO LIVE, WORK, AND RAISE OUR
- 14 CHILDREN. IN MARCH OF THIS YEAR, OUR CITY COUNCIL PASSED A
- 15 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THIS INITIATIVE BECAUSE WE RECOGNIZE
- 16 WHAT'S AT STAKE, AND WHAT'S AT STAKE IS THE SAFETY OF OUR
- 17 FAMILY AND OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. AND I KNOW THAT YOU SHARE THIS
- 18 VIEW WITH US. WE, MEMBERS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON BEHALF OF THE
- 19 CITY COUNCIL OF LYNWOOD, URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF PLACING THIS
- 20 INITIATIVE ON NOVEMBER'S BALLOT.

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22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. MAYOR?

24 MAYOR BLANCA FIGUEROA: THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE

25 CHAIRMAN KNABE AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY



- 1 NAME IS BLANCA FIGUEROA. I AM THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOUTH
- 2 EL MONTE. WE REPRESENT 22,000 RESIDENTS IN TWO AND A HALF
- 3 SQUARE MILES, 40,000 DAY LABORERS COME INTO OUR COMMUNITY. WE
- 4 HAVE ONE LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL, SIX ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND ONE
- 5 PRIVATE SCHOOL. I, ALONG WITH THE CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE CITY
- 6 COUNCIL, STRONGLY URGE YOUR SUPPORT TO PLACE THE LOS ANGELES
- 7 COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY HOMELAND SECURITY TAX INITIATIVE ON THE
- 8 NOVEMBER 2004 BALLOT. THIS INITIATIVE WILL PROVIDE STATE
- 9 FUNDING NEEDED TO STRENGTHEN PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE CITY OF
- 10 SOUTH EL MONTE, HOMELAND SECURITY AND LOCAL ANTI-TERRORISM
- 11 EFFORTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. THIS INITIATIVE WILL HAVE
- 12 PROVIDE \$1.5 MILLION TO THE CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE. BECAUSE OF
- 13 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S ACTION TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF THE
- 14 CITY'S VEHICLE LICENSE FEE, WE, AS A CITY COUNCIL, WERE FORCED
- 15 TO ADOPT AND ELIMINATE TWO DEPUTIES FROM THE CITY OF SOUTH EL
- 16 MONTE. THIS WILL HAVE A PROFOUND IMPACT ON THE SAFETY AND THE
- 17 WELLBEING OF THE RESIDENTS THAT WE REPRESENT, THE CHILDREN OF
- 18 OUR COMMUNITY, AND EVERYONE WHO IS A STAKEHOLDER IN OUR CITY.
- 19 WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT IN HELPING TO PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT. OUR
- 20 POLICE BUDGET WAS REDUCED FROM 2.9 MILLION TO 2.4. WE CANNOT
- 21 RIDE PUBLIC SAFETY ON THE BACKS OF THE COMMUNITIES THAT WE
- 22 REPRESENT IN OUR CITY. STUDIES SHOW THAT THE 72% OF LATINOS
- 23 WERE POLLED REGARDING THIS INITIATIVE SUPPORT THIS MEASURE. IN
- 24 MY CITY ALONE, 74% ARE LATINO DESCENT. WE ALL, AS COLLECTIVE--
- 25 ELECTED OFFICIALS, ARE HELD ACCOUNTABLE TO THE SAFETY, WELFARE



- 1 AND THE WELLBEING OF THE RESIDENTS OF OUR COMMUNITY. YOUTH
- 2 INTERVENTION PROGRAMS WILL BE IMPACTED. OUR SAME PROGRAMS WILL
- 3 BE IMPACTED IN OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS, AND THEY ARE THE FOREFRONT
- 4 IN HELPING COMBAT CRIME, GANG VIOLENCE, OTHER CRIMINAL
- 5 ELEMENTS THAT SEEM TO PLOT OUR CITIES. WE'RE ALSO DEALING WITH
- 6 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY, PROGRAMS THAT I NEED, AS
- 7 THE MAYOR AND THE COUNCIL, WE HAVE TO LOOK AT AND ASK YOU TO
- 8 PLEASE SUPPORT, ALONG WITH 30 OTHER CITIES, BACK THE
- 9 INITIATIVE. ONCE AGAIN, WE STRONGLY URGE YOUR SUPPORT, AND LET
- 10 THE VOTERS DECIDE, FOR IT IS THEY WHO WILL MAKE THE FINAL
- 11 DECISIONS. IT IS BOTH YOU AND I WHO REPRESENT THESE PEOPLE,
- 12 AND DOES THE BUCK STOP HERE? ABSOLUTELY. WE ARE WILLING TO GO
- 13 FORWARD AND WORK WITH THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, TO
- 14 ROUNDTABLE WITH YOU AND TO YOU, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOU'RE OUR
- 15 REPRESENTATIVE, TO MEET AND DISCUSS WHAT WE CAN DO TO WORK
- 16 COLLECTIVELY TO WORK WITH THIS INITIATIVE AND ASK THE
- 17 QUESTIONS THAT YOU ASK THAT WE, TOO, WANT TO ASK. I HAVE FOR
- 18 YOU, IF I MAY, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, A LETTER FROM ME SIGNED AS
- 19 THE MAYOR OF SOUTH EL MONTE ASKING FOR YOUR HELP AND YOUR
- 20 SUPPORT IN THIS INITIATIVE, IF I MAY.

- 22 SUP. MOLINA: MAYOR, I APPRECIATE -- MAY I JUST SAY I APPRECIATE
- 23 YOUR POINT OF VIEW ON THIS, AND I AM TRYING TO GET THOSE
- 24 QUESTIONS ANSWERED, BUT HOPEFULLY WHAT YOU CAN DO IS ENCOURAGE
- 25 THE CONTRACT CITIES TO GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THIS



- 1 MONEY WOULD BE UTILIZED AND A BETTER APPRECIATION OF WHAT KIND
- 2 OF LANGUAGE WE COULD PUT IN IT THAT WOULD CONTROL THAT THOSE
- 3 MONIES WOULD GO. I MEAN, THIS IS VERY BENEFICIAL. I WOULD TAKE
- 4 IT THE RESIDENTS OF SOUTH EL MONTE WOULD SEE MORE POLICE
- 5 PROTECTION, MORE COVERAGE, BUT HOW YOU WOULD UTILIZE THOSE
- 6 FUNDS AND HOW MUCH WOULD BE ALLOCATED TO DEPUTY SHERIFFS WOULD
- 7 BE AN IMPORTANT THING FOR ME TO KNOW. AND SO FAR, THE CONTRACT
- 8 CITIES HAVE BEEN SILENT ON ADDRESSING THOSE ISSUES.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WELL, BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW THE LANGUAGE.
- 11 I MEAN, I DON'T WANT YOU TO THINK THAT THE CONTRACT CITIES ARE
- 12 SILENT. THEY'RE CERTAINLY TALKING ABOUT IT BUT, WITHOUT THE
- 13 FINAL LANGUAGE-- I MEAN, THAT-- WE SORT OF SHARE THE SAME
- 14 ISSUE, SUPERVISOR. I MEAN, I-- MY CONCERN IS, IT'S JUST NOT
- 15 SIMPLY A MATTER OF LETTING THE VOTERS DECIDE BECAUSE, IF THE
- 16 LANGUAGE ISN'T TIGHT AND CORRECT, BALLOT MEASURES CAN BE
- 17 MANIPULATED.

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19 SUP. MOLINA: ABSOLUTELY. WELL, AGAIN, YOU KNOW...

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- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: AND WE'VE SEEN IT DONE BEFORE AND WE CAN
- 22 SEE IT AGAIN.

- 24 SUP. MOLINA: AGAIN, SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU MAY KNOW MORE THAN I
- 25 DO, BUT THE CONTRACT CITIES ARE NOT DISCUSSING WHATEVER



- 1 LANGUAGE THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE. I'M JUST ASKING RIGHT NOW,
- 2 THE LANGUAGE THAT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IS SOME MANNER IN WHICH
- 3 WAY I COULD TRUST THAT THESE DOLLARS ARE GOING TO GO INTO. FOR
- 4 EXAMPLE, A CITY COULD SAY, WE'RE GOING TO DEVELOP OUR OWN
- 5 COMMUNITY SECURITY POLICE. RIGHT? WHICH COULD BE AVAILABLE
- 6 THROUGH THIS BUT, YOU KNOW, AND SO MUCH-- BUT I WANT TO
- 7 UNDERSTAND THAT THERE WOULD BE SOME PARAMETERS. YES, THIS CAN
- 8 ALL GO TO PUBLIC SAFETY BUT, IN THE CONTRACT CITIES, BUYING
- 9 MORE DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN-- I MEAN, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO
- 10 TRAIN MORE DEPUTIES, WE HAVE TO HAVE MORE OVERHEAD COSTS,
- 11 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE MORE CAPTAINS, MORE CHIEFS, AND
- 12 MORE MANAGEMENT OVER IT THAT ISN'T NECESSARILY SHARED WITH
- 13 CONTRACT CITIES. SO THAT'S WHY I'M ASKING FOR THEM TO TALK TO
- 14 US ABOUT HOW THAT WOULD BE INCORPORATED. I MEAN, THE SHERIFF
- 15 CAN'T DO THAT HIMSELF. IT HAS TO BE THE CONTRACT CITIES THAT
- 16 HAVE TO BE A PART OF THAT DISCUSSION AND THAT NEGOTIATIONS
- 17 WITH SOME OF US THAT HAVE THOSE CONCERNS. SO, HOPEFULLY,
- 18 MAYOR, YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE THOSE CONCERNS BACK TO THEM
- 19 AND SEE ABOUT WHAT KIND OF LANGUAGE. I HAVE NOT HEARD ANYTHING
- 20 FROM THEM AS YET.

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22 MAYOR BLANCA FIGUEROA: MAY I RESPOND?

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24 SUP. MOLINA: SURE.



- 1 MAYOR BLANCA FIGUEROA: THANK YOU. WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, NEWLY
- 2 APPOINTED TO THE CONTRACT CITIES' EXECUTIVE BOARD, I PLAN TO
- 3 ADDRESS THIS ISSUE AND ASK RESPECTFULLY FOR SUPPORT AND SAYING
- 4 WE MUST WORK COLLECTIVELY FOR THE BETTERMENT OUR COMMUNITIES.
- 5 MY CONCERN, AS THE MAYOR OF SOUTH EL MONTE, IS TO HELP REPLACE
- 6 THE TWO DEPUTIES THAT I LOST, ONE IN A DEPUTY CAR AND ONE ON A
- 7 MOTORCYCLE, AND I ONLY HAD ONE DEPUTY ON A MOTORCYCLE. SO THE
- 8 EFFECT WILL BE PROFOUND. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME ON THIS
- 9 MATTER, URGE YOU TO PLEASE HELP US, AS A SMALL CITY OF SOUTH
- 10 EL MONTE, EMPLOY YOU TO DO RIGHT BY WE, THE ELECTED OFFICIALS
- 11 WHO REPRESENT THE RESIDENTS OF OUR CITY. I THANK YOU...

- 13 SUP. MOLINA: BUT THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE ABOUT ONE CITY. IT'S
- 14 NOT. I WISH IT WERE. IT'S NOT A MATTER OF YOU PUTTING IT ON
- 15 THE BALLOT AND I ENDORSING WHAT YOU'RE DOING. IT'S ABOUT A LOT
- 16 OF CITIES. AND I THINK YOU'RE-- PART OF A CONTRACT CITIES
- 17 ASSOCIATION CAN ADDRESS THOSE ISSUES. SO, TO ISOLATE IN ONE
- 18 CITY, I CAN UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT WHEN I VOTE TO PUT IT ON THE
- 19 BALLOT, I'M NOT JUST TAXING THE RESIDENTS OF SOUTH EL MONTE,
- 20 WE'RE ASKING ALL OF THE RESIDENTS TO TAX THEMSELVES, SO WE
- 21 UNDERSTAND WHAT IS THE BENEFICIARY TO THEM. SUPERVISOR KNABE
- 22 IS CORRECT. LANGUAGE CAN BE MANIPULATED ALL DAY LONG SO WE
- 23 WANT TO UNDERSTAND IT. SO I HOPE YOU CAN APPRECIATE THE
- 24 QUESTIONS I'M ASKING ARE NOT UNFOUNDED. THEY ARE JUSTIFIED
- 25 FROM THE STANDPOINT OF IF WE'RE GOING TO ASK PEOPLE TO TAX US,



- 1 THEN THE ASSUMPTION IS THAT THEY'RE GOING TO GET MORE, HOW
- 2 DOES THAT WORK FOR THE CONTRACT CITIES?

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- 4 MAYOR BLANCA FIGUEROA: AND I APPRECIATE THAT. IF I MAY, I,
- 5 ALONG WITH MY OTHER CITIES, I CAN ONLY SPEAK FOR MY CITY, BUT
- 6 I'M SURE YOU'RE GOING TO HEAR FROM OTHER CITIES, HEAR FROM
- 7 OTHER JURISDICTIONS, NOT ONLY CONTRACT WITH THE SHERIFF BUT
- 8 HAVE THEIR OWN POLICE DEPARTMENT. SO MYSELF, JUST SPEAKING FOR
- 9 MY CITY AND OTHER CITIES, WE'RE WORKING COLLECTIVELY HAND IN
- 10 GLOVE TO BRING THE MESSAGE THAT ASKS YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS
- 11 INITIATIVE. THANK YOU.

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- 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. MR. ORTEGA. NOW, I'M MISSING A
- 14 SHEET. I GOT TED. DO I HAVE...

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16 MR. ORTEGA: COUNCILMAN PEDROZA FROM LYNWOOD

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- 18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. I HAVE YOU DOWN HERE LATER. OKAY. I
- 19 THINK YOU'RE IN THIS STACK RIGHT HERE. GO AHEAD.

- 21 MR. ORTEGA: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
- 22 I REPRESENT A SMALL LITTLE CITY IN SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES
- 23 COUNTY. I KNOW MRS. MOLINA IS WELL AWARE OF WHERE WE ARE.
- 24 SHE'S OUR REPRESENTATIVE THERE. WE ARE TWO SQUARE MILE CITY.
- 25 IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF 50,000 PEOPLE LIVE IN THOSE TWO SQUARE



- 1 MILES AND, NEEDLESS TO SAY, WE HAVE THE PROBLEMS OF MANY OF
- 2 THOSE SMALL LITTLE TOWNS, AND THAT'S THE PROLIFERATION OF
- 3 GANGS, GANG CRIME, GANG MURDERS, AND I WANTED TO SHARE JUST
- 4 BRIEFLY WITH YOU A COMMENT THAT WAS MADE TO ME BY A MEMBER OF
- 5 MY COMMUNITY AT A COUPLE OF COUNCIL MEETINGS A COUPLE OF
- 6 MONTHS AGO. HE CAME UP TO ME AND HE SAID, "CHIEF, I WANT TO
- 7 COMPLIMENT YOU AND YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT, " AND I SAID, "WELL,
- 8 THANK YOU VERY MUCH." HE SAID, "YOU KNOW, CHIEF, WE DON'T HEAR
- 9 AS MUCH GUNFIRE AT NIGHT ANY MORE AS WE USED TO." NOW, THAT'S
- 10 A SAD COMMENT TO MAKE WHEN THE ONLY WAY YOU CAN MEASURE THE
- 11 SUCCESS OF YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT IS BY THE LACK OF GUNFIRE
- 12 THAT THEY HEAR IN THE EVENING HOURS. IT'S A CRITICAL ISSUE FOR
- 13 THE CITY OF BELL GARDENS AND FOR MANY OF THE CITIES IN THE
- 14 SOUTHEAST AREA THAT WE HAVE THE FUNDING NECESSARY TO BE ABLE
- 15 TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR COMMUNITY RESIDENTS SAFE. GANGS
- 16 ARE ONE OF THOSE URBAN TERRORISTS THAT WE ARE ALL FIGHTING
- 17 THROUGHOUT THIS COUNTY AND WE'RE NOT MAKING MUCH HEADWAY,
- 18 QUITE FRANKLY, AND WE'RE WORKING VERY DILIGENTLY TO DO THAT. I
- 19 TRULY FEEL, AS DO THE MEMBERS OF MY POLICE DEPARTMENT, AS WELL
- 20 AS THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, THAT THIS TAX WILL GO A LONG
- 21 WAY IN ASSISTING US IN THAT ENDEAVOR. YOU KNOW, WE HAVE HAD A
- 22 GREAT DEAL OF LUCK AND GOOD FORTUNE BY WORKING WITH THE
- 23 SUPERVISOR AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD TO GETTING BEAUTIFUL
- 24 PARKS, TO BE ABLE TO FUND BEAUTIFUL PARKS IN OUR COMMUNITY BUT
- 25 THEY'RE NOT ANY GOOD IF THE PEOPLE ARE AFRAID TO GO, IF



- 1 THEY'RE AFRAID TO BE CONFRONTED BY GANG MEMBERS, DRUG DEALERS,
- 2 DRUG USERS, PROSTITUTES, THAT WANT TO INFILTRATE OUR PARKS AND
- 3 TAKE THEM AWAY FROM THE PEOPLE THEY'RE INTENDED FOR, AND
- 4 THAT'S THE FAMILY MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY IN THE CITY OF BELL
- 5 GARDENS. YOU KNOW, FOR THREE AND A HALF YEARS, I SERVED AS A
- 6 COMMISSIONER ON THE BOARD OF PRISON TERMS. I INTERVIEWED THE
- 7 WORST CRIMINALS THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAS. I INTERVIEWED
- 8 PEOPLE LIKE SIRHAN SIRHAN, MEMBERS OF THE MANSON FAMILY, BUT
- 9 THE BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT TO ME WAS THE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN
- 10 WHO WERE GANG MEMBERS WHO COMMITTED THE ULTIMATE CRIME, AND
- 11 THAT WAS KILLING ANOTHER GANG MEMBER OR KILLING AN INNOCENT
- 12 VICTIM IN OUR CITIES AND IN OUR COUNTY. AS YOU ALL KNOW, WE
- 13 HAVE THE LARGEST NUMBER OF CONVICTS IN THE STATE PRISON
- 14 SYSTEM, L.A. COUNTY DOES. THE NEXT NEAREST IS PROBABLY 23%
- 15 BELOW WHAT WE HAVE. WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING AND I THINK THIS
- 16 MONEY WILL HELP US DO THAT.

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18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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20 MR. ORTEGA: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

- 22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I'D ASK, LET'S SEE, TED AND
- 23 COUNCILMAN PEDROZA ARE STILL THERE. ASK BARRY GROVERMAN TO
- 24 JOIN US, MAYOR PRO TEM OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, AND MARSHA
- 25 RAMOS, THE MAYOR OF BURBANK TO COME UP AND JOIN US. TED?



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- 2 TED HUNT: YES, SIR. I'M TED HUNT, I REPRESENT THE RANK AND
- 3 FILE POLICE OFFICERS OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT. WE
- 4 HAVE A RECORD WITH THE -- HAVING A PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR CITY
- 5 HALL IN TRYING TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY POLICE SERVICES IN L.A.
- 6 FUNDAMENTAL TO THAT IS AN ECONOMIC BASE, AND PUBLIC SERVICE,
- 7 PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES, POLICE SERVICES SPECIFICALLY ARE
- 8 ABSOLUTELY FUNDAMENTAL TO HAVING A GOOD, SUCCESSFUL, VIBRANT
- 9 COMMUNITY. I'VE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF MEETING WITH SUPERVISOR
- 10 KNABE WHEN WE WERE BOTH LOBBYING THE SAME PERSON IN
- 11 WASHINGTON, D.C. TO ENSURE THAT THE L.A. AIR BASE STAYED IN
- 12 L.A., TO ENSURE THAT PROPER FUNDS COME BACK TO PROTECT OUR
- 13 CITIZENS FROM WASHINGTON, D.C. YOU KNOW, TAXPAYERS REALLY
- 14 RESENT, PEOPLE REALLY RESENT THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES BUT, IF
- 15 THEY'RE GIVEN THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE, IF THEY'RE GIVEN THE RIGHT
- 16 TO CHOOSE, THEY WILL PAY FOR VITAL SERVICES, THEY WILL PAY FOR
- 17 POLICE SERVICES, AND WE BELIEVE, AT THE POLICE PROTECTIVE
- 18 LEAGUE, THAT THIS IS AN ABSOLUTELY FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT OF
- 19 AMERICANS AND WE STRONGLY URGE YOU TO PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT.
- 20 I ALSO WANT TO COMMENT ON MY DEEP RESPECT FOR SHERIFF BACA,
- 21 THE COURAGE THAT HE HAD TO BRING THIS TO THE FOREFRONT. THANK
- 22 YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

- 24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, TED. DID MAYOR RAMOS FROM
- 25 BURBANK LEAVE? OKAY. I'D ASK SUSAN MCSWEENEY TO JOIN US, AND



- 1 JOHN NOGEZ, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK. COUNCILMAN
- 2 PEDROZA.

- 4 COUNCILMAN PEDROZA: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. GOOD AFTERNOON TO
- 5 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT AND TO URGE THE
- 6 L.A. COUNTY SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT TO PLACE THE PUBLIC SAFETY
- 7 AND HOMELAND SECURITY HALF-CENT SALES INITIATIVE ON THE
- 8 NOVEMBER BALLOT. THE CITY OF L.A., LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ALL THE
- 9 CITIES WITHIN ITS BORDERS AND MY CITY OF LYNWOOD DESPERATELY
- 10 NEED THE FUNDING IN ORDER TO HAVE AN ADEQUATE LEVEL OF LAW
- 11 ENFORCEMENT SERVICES. WE ARE CURRENTLY PATROLLING THE CITY OF
- 12 LYNWOOD WITH THREE TO FOUR SHERIFF'S PATROL CARS IN A CITY
- 13 WHICH IS FIVE SOUARE MILES AND ABOUT A HUNDRED THOUSAND
- 14 PEOPLE. THIS HALF-CENT TAX INITIATIVE WILL PROVIDE THE CITY OF
- 15 LYNWOOD WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO BUY AN ADDITIONAL 12 PATROL
- 16 CARS OF SERVICE WITH \$3.6 MILLION FROM THIS INITIATIVE. OUR
- 17 CITY HAS BEEN GROWING AND GROWING LIKE EVERY OTHER CITY. WE
- 18 HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCING THE PROBLEM OF GANGS, THE PROBLEM OF
- 19 GRAFFITI. WE HAVE HAD, ON A POSITIVE NOTE, HAD NEWER
- 20 INVESTMENT AND NEWER STORES BEING BUILT IN SHOPPING CENTERS
- 21 BUT, AGAIN, WHAT GOOD IS NEW DEVELOPMENT AND NEW STORES, NEW
- 22 PARKS, NEW SCHOOLS IF WE DON'T HAVE ADEQUATE PUBLIC SAFETY? I
- 23 WANT TO URGE YOU AGAIN TO THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS TO PLEASE
- 24 SUPPORT THE INITIATIVE, HALF- CENT SALES TAX INITIATIVE ON THE



- 1 NOVEMBER BALLOT FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR PUBLIC SAFETY. THANK
- 2 YOU.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, COUNCILMAN.

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- 6 BARRY GROVEMAN: YES, MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'M
- 7 BARRY GROVEMAN, MAYOR PRO TEM OF CALABASAS. FIRST, HEARTFELT
- 8 THANKS TO THE SHERIFF FOR BRINGING THIS TO THE FOREFRONT AND
- 9 EXERCISING THIS KIND OF LEADERSHIP. I'M NOT GOING TO REPEAT
- 10 WHAT'S BEEN SAID. I SUPPORT EVERYTHING THAT'S BEEN STATED
- 11 EARLIER. IT'S JUST VERY CLEAR THAT PUBLIC SAFETY IS NUMBER ONE
- 12 TO EVERY CITY, TO EVERY RESIDENT, AND I'M HERE TO URGE YOU TO
- 13 PUT IT ON THE BALLOT AND LET THE PUBLIC MAKE THE DECISION AS
- 14 THE DEBATE GOES FORWARD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SIR. SUSAN, AND THEN I'M GOING
- 17 TO ASK COUNCILMAN ISADORE HOFF FROM COMPTON AND JOHN
- 18 BLICKENSTAFF, THE MAYOR OF LAVERNE TO COME FORWARD AND JOIN
- 19 US. SUSAN?

- 21 SUSAN MCSWEENEY: GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M
- 22 SUSAN MCSWEENEY. I'M A COUNCIL MEMBER FROM THE CITY OF
- 23 WESTLAKE VILLAGE, THE VERY FARTHEST WEST CITY RIGHT AT THE
- 24 COUNTY LINE AND, BECAUSE I DROVE SO FAR, I HAD TO SAY MY TWO
- 25 CENTS. I'M ALSO PART OF THE FAMILY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. MY



- 1 HUSBAND AND TWO BROTHERS WORK FOR THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S
- 2 DEPARTMENT, AND I KNOW THAT, WHERE WE LIVE IN WEST LAKE
- 3 VILLAGE, WE'RE NOT AN ISLAND, WE'RE A VERY HAPPY, SAFE CITY
- 4 THERE BUT WE KNOW THAT OTHER CITIES NEED THE HELP AND WE ARE
- 5 IN FULL SUPPORT OF SHERIFF BACA'S INITIATIVE. I KNOW HE'S
- 6 WORKED REALLY HARD. I KNOW SOME OF THE LANGUAGE NEEDS TO BE
- 7 WORKED OUT BUT I KNOW I REPRESENT ALL THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN
- 8 OUR AREA AND PUBLIC SAFETY IS OUR NUMBER ONE PRIORITY. THANK
- 9 YOU.

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11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. TAKE CARE OF MY GRANDDAUGHTER.

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13 SUSAN MCSWEENEY: YEAH.

- 15 JOHN NOGUEZ: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, GOOD MORNING-- GOOD
- 16 AFTERNOON NOW. I AM JOHN NOGUEZ, I'M THE MAYOR IN THE CITY OF
- 17 HUNTINGTON PARK AND I COME BEFORE YOU, IT'S BEEN SAID BEFORE,
- 18 WE COME TO ASK YOU AND YOUR SUPPORT TO PUT THIS BALLOT
- 19 INITIATIVE ON. WE NEED DIALOGUE, A ROUNDTABLE, TO MAKE SURE
- 20 THAT SOME OF THE PROBLEMS IN THE DRAFT, THE ORIGINAL DRAFT,
- 21 ARE IRONED OUT BETWEEN YOU ALL. I HAVE HEARD MR. ANTONOVICH'S
- 22 PROPOSAL. WE ARE A SMALL, HUMBLE CITY IN THE SOUTHEAST AND WE
- 23 JUST CANNOT AFFORD A MATCH AT THIS TIME. HOWEVER, WE DO NEED
- 24 DIALOGUE, WE DO SUPPORT THAT AND, ULTIMATELY, WHAT WE ARE
- 25 ASKING HERE IS FOR US TO ALLOW THE VOTERS TO ALLOW THEMSELVES,



- 1 IF THEY WOULD LIKE, AN ADDITIONAL HALF-CENT SALES TAX FOR
- 2 PROTECTION, POLICING SERVICES THAT ARE DRASTICALLY NEEDED. I
- 3 THINK THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WAS FOCUSED WITHIN THEIR CITY
- 4 BUT I WOULD LIKE US TO HELP THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- 5 BECOME THE SAFEST COUNTY, THE SAFEST BIGGEST COUNTY. AND, WITH
- 6 THAT, WE ARE HERE, WE ARE READY FOR THE DIALOGUE. SHERIFF
- 7 BACA, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BRINGING THIS TO OUR TABLE AND FOR
- 8 ALLOWING US THE OPPORTUNITY TO BRING IT BEFORE THE
- 9 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

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- 11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, MAYOR. IS COUNCILMAN HALL-- HAS
- 12 LEFT. GO AHEAD. YES, SIR.

- 14 JOHN BLICKENSTAFF: YES, MR. CHAIRMAN AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF
- 15 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M JOHN BLICKENSTAFF, THE MAYOR OF
- 16 THE CITY OF LAVERNE. I REPRESENT THE UNANIMOUS CITY COUNCIL IN
- 17 OUR SUPPORT FOR SHERIFF BACA'S MEASURE. I'M GOING TO TRY NOT
- 18 TO REPEAT WHAT HAS ALREADY BEEN SAID. I THINK YOU'RE VERY WISE
- 19 TO ASK OUESTIONS ABOUT THE DETAILS. THEY SAY THE DEVIL IS IN
- 20 THE DETAILS AND CERTAINLY THERE ARE SOME OF THOSE THAT REMAIN
- 21 TO BE WORKED OUT. LAVERNE IS AN EXAMPLE OF MANY CITIES,
- 22 RELATIVELY SMALL. WE'RE INDEPENDENT, WE'RE A FULL SERVICE
- 23 CITY, AND WE ARE FISCALLY CHALLENGED, SHALL I SAY, THIS YEAR,
- 24 WE'VE USED ABOUT \$300,000 OUT OF OUR RESERVES TO BALANCE A
- 25 VERY LEAN BUDGET. WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS UNREALISTIC FOR CITIES



- 1 LIKE LAVERNE TO BE REQUIRED TO COME UP WITH A MATCH IN ORDER
- 2 TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PUBLIC SAFETY MEASURE. IT SEEMS HIGHLY
- 3 UNFAIR AND DIVISIVE FOR SOME CITIES TO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE
- 4 IN THIS FUNDING MECHANISM AND OTHERS UNABLE TO AFFORD TO DO
- 5 SO. CITIES NOT ABLE TO MEET THE MATCH WOULD SEE THEIR
- 6 INCREASED SALES TAX GO ELSEWHERE IN THE COUNTY. I STRONGLY
- 7 BELIEVE THAT EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT IS A TEAM EFFORT.
- 8 CITIES COOPERATE AND SUPPORT EACH OTHER. PUBLIC SAFETY
- 9 AGENCIES, AT ALL LEVELS, WORK TOGETHER IN A PARTNERSHIP TO
- 10 PROVIDE MUTUAL AID AND A SYSTEM OF SUPPORT WHICH ENSURES THE
- 11 MOST EFFECTIVE SERVICE TO OUR CITIZENS. STRENGTH COMES FROM
- 12 CITIES HELPING CITIES AND FROM COOPERATION WITHIN THE CITY OF
- 13 LOS ANGELES AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. OUR CITIZENS ARE
- 14 THE BENEFICIARIES WHEN WE, AS POLICY MAKERS, FACILITATE THIS
- 15 TEAMWORK. EXCELLENCE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY IS A
- 16 VERY COMPLEX ISSUE. A SIGNIFICANT PART OF THE CHALLENGE AND
- 17 THE COMPLEXITY IS THE FUNDING OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. YOUR
- 18 POSITIVE ACTION WILL ENABLE THE VOTERS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 19 TO BE A PART OF THE TEAM WORKING TOGETHER TO ENSURE SAFETY IN
- 20 OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

- 22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, MAYOR. GEORGIA MERCER, TOM
- 23 ARMSTRONG, FRANK QUINTERO, AND DOUG TESSITOR, IF THEY WOULD
- 24 COME FORWARD, PLEASE. ARE ALL FOUR HERE? I SEE THREE. GEORGIA.

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- 1 GEORGIA MERCER: WELL, FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
- 2 THIS OPPORTUNITY. I'M GEORGIA MERCER, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE
- 3 LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AND
- 4 I BRING YOU GREETINGS FROM MY FELLOW COLLEAGUES AND THANK YOU
- 5 FOR YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF OUR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS,
- 6 WORKFORCE PROGRAMS AND, OF COURSE, OUR CONSTRUCTION EFFORTS
- 7 AND A SPECIAL HELLO TO A FORMER L.A. C.C.D. BOARD MEMBER,
- 8 SUPERVISOR MIKE ANTONOVICH. YOU LEFT US IN PRETTY GOOD SHAPE.
- 9 [ LIGHT LAUGHTER ]

- 11 GEORGIA MERCER: NO HUMOR HERE. ANYWAY, I KNOW THAT ALL OF YOU
- 12 KNOW WE HAVE ABOUT 130,000 STUDENTS ON OUR NINE CAMPUSES. SIX
- 13 OF THE CAMPUSES ARE WITHIN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THREE
- 14 ARE OUTSIDE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE
- 15 TO COMMEND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WITH WHOM WE'VE HAD A
- 16 CONTRACT FOR THESE PAST THREE YEARS. IT'S BEEN BOTH A
- 17 CHALLENGING BUT VERY POSITIVE EXPERIENCE. THANK YOU, SHERIFF.
- 18 NOTHING IS MORE IMPORTANT TO ANY OF US THAN THE SAFETY OF OUR
- 19 STUDENTS, BOTH ON AND OFF OUR CAMPUSES. EVERYTHING HAS BEEN
- 20 SAID SO FAR. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SHARE ONE PERSONAL
- 21 EXPERIENCE. I WOULD WORKING IN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE 10 YEARS AGO
- 22 WHEN THE NORTHRIDGE EARTHQUAKE HIT AND I HAD OCCASION TO GO TO
- 23 THE PARKS WHERE MANY TENTS HAD BEEN SET UP IN THE SAN FERNANDO
- 24 VALLEY. AND, NIGHT AFTER NIGHT, I HEARD THE PEOPLE LIVING
- 25 THERE BEGGING THE NATIONAL GUARD TO STAY, "PLEASE STAY. WE



- 1 WILL PAY YOU OURSELVES." NOW, THESE WERE PEOPLE OF VERY
- 2 LIMITED MEANS AND YET THE FEELING OF SAFETY AND SECURITY WAS
- 3 KEY. SO PLEASE, WE URGE YOU FROM THE BOARD AND WE PASSED A
- 4 RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT LAST MARCH, PLEASE, LET'S GIVE THE
- 5 PEOPLE THE RIGHT TO DECIDE THAT THEY WANT TO PAY FOR THAT
- 6 FEELING OF ADDED SAFETY AND SECURITY. THANK YOU.

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- 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YES. I'M GOING TO ASK, EXCUSE
- 9 ME, ABBE LAND TO JOIN US UP HERE AND ART KASSEL. GO AHEAD,
- 10 SIR.

- 12 TOM ARMSTRONG: TOM ARMSTRONG, ASSISTANT CHIEF CITY OF EL MONTE
- 13 POLICE DEPARTMENT. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS INITIATIVE.
- 14 WE NEED THE RESOURCES THAT THE MONEY WILL PROVIDE. FOR EL
- 15 MONTE, IN TWO YEARS, THE STATE WILL HAVE REMOVED \$2.5 MILLION
- 16 FROM THE CITY OF EL MONTE. HEALTH INSURANCE HAS RISEN
- 17 DRAMATICALLY, WORKERS' COMP COSTS HAVE RISEN. THESE AND OTHER
- 18 FACTORS HAVE FINANCIALLY CONSPIRED AGAINST US. SIMPLY
- 19 INCREASES IN REVENUES HAS NOT COVERED EXPENSES, EVEN THOUGH WE
- 20 HAVE ELIMINATED 21 POSITIONS IN OUR COMMUNITY. THROUGHOUT THE
- 21 CITY, WE STILL OPERATE AT A MAJOR DEFICIT, APPROXIMATELY FOUR
- 22 TO \$5 MILLION, WITH STATE PAROLE CONSIDERING MAJOR LAYOFFS,
- 23 THE BURDEN PLACED ON SHERIFF BACA'S BUDGET AND THE REPORTED
- 24 CONSEQUENCES, WHICH INDIRECTLY AND DIRECTLY AFFECT EVERY
- 25 POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTY. EL MONTE IS CONSIDERING, AT



- 1 THIS TIME, GOING INTO EVEN GREATER DEBT JUST TO MAINTAIN THE
- 2 CURRENT PUBLIC SAFETY LEVEL IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE NEED YOUR
- 3 SUPPORT. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

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5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

- 7 DOUG TESSITOR: MY NAME IS DOUG TESSITOR, I'M A COUNCIL MEMBER
- 8 IN THE CITY OF GLENDORA. GLENDORA IS NO DIFFERENT THAN ANY
- 9 OTHER CITY OR COUNTY OR GOVERNMENT IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.
- 10 WE FIND OURSELVES IN VERY TIGHT BUDGET CONDITIONS BECAUSE OF
- 11 THE PROBLEMS OF THE STATE AND OTHER PROBLEMS THAT ARE NOT OF
- 12 OUR OWN MAKING. THE CITY OF GLENDORA, WE'VE DONE EVERYTHING WE
- 13 CAN TO INCREASE OUR REVENUES BY HAVING ADDITIONAL ECONOMIC
- 14 DEVELOPMENT. WE'VE GONE THROUGH OUR FEES AND TRIED TO
- 15 DETERMINE WHAT OUR COSTS ARE AND CONSEQUENTLY CHARGED THOSE
- 16 USERS EXACTLY WHAT IT COSTS US. WE'RE CURRENTLY IN OUR
- 17 BUDGETARY PROCESS IN THE CITY. WE HAVE ASKED EVERY DEPARTMENT
- 18 IN THE CITY TO CUT THEIR BUDGET. EVERY DEPARTMENT IN THE CITY
- 19 HAS RESPONDED. OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT, BEING THE LARGEST
- 20 PORTION OF OUR GENERAL FUND, HAS RECEIVED THE LARGEST CUTS. WE
- 21 HAVE GONE, IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS, FROM APPROXIMATELY 60
- 22 OFFICERS DOWN TO 54 AND, NEXT YEAR, WE'RE LOOKING TO CUT SOME
- 23 MORE IF WE DON'T GET SOME ASSISTANCE. WE DON'T KNOW WHERE ELSE
- 24 TO GO. THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IS GOING TO CONTINUE TO RAID
- 25 OUR FUNDS. WE DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY TO CONTRIBUTE TO A MATCHING



- 1 SCHEME AND SO WE ARE UNANIMOUSLY IN SUPPORT OF THIS MEASURE
- 2 PUT FORWARD BY SHERIFF BACA. THE CITY COUNCIL VOTED IN MAY,
- 3 UNANIMOUSLY, TO SUPPORT THIS MEASURE. I HAVE BEEN SITTING OUT
- 4 IN THE AUDIENCE FOR THE LAST HOUR AND A HALF AND I KEEP
- 5 GLANCING AT THIS SIGN THAT YOU'VE GOT ON THE WALL UP HERE THAT
- 6 SAYS THAT GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, AND FOR THE
- 7 PEOPLE SHALL NOT PERISH. I ASK THIS BOARD TO REMEMBER THAT THE
- 8 PEOPLE THAT WE ALL REPRESENT SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOTE ON
- 9 AN ISSUE THAT'S THIS IMPORTANT AND THAT'S WHAT I ASK YOU TO
- 10 PASS TODAY.

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- 12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SIR. I'M GOING TO ASK ANN
- 13 SAMUELSON AND JIM LYNCH TO JOIN US UP HERE, AS WELL. ABBE,
- 14 WELCOME BACK.

- 16 ABBE LAND: THANK YOU. NOW ABBE LAND, MAYOR PRO TEM OF THE CITY
- 17 OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, AND THANK YOU AGAIN FOR LISTENING TO ALL OF
- 18 US. I DON'T WANT TO REPEAT WHAT'S ALREADY BEEN SAID BUT I JUST
- 19 WANT TO SAY IT'S GRATIFYING TO HERE, I'M NOT HEARING A "NO",
- 20 I'M HEARING QUESTIONS, AND THAT'S REALLY GOOD, AND I'M HOPING,
- 21 OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO ANSWER THE
- 22 QUESTIONS THAT PEOPLE HAVE RAISED, THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA
- 23 RAISED, THAT PEOPLE WILL LOOK AT THE AMENDMENT THAT SUPERVISOR
- 24 YAROSLAVSKY BROUGHT FORTH AND HAVE A DISCUSSION AND TRY TO
- 25 COME UP WITH LANGUAGE SO THAT THE SUPERVISORS CAN SUPPORT THIS



- 1 REALLY, REALLY IMPORTANT INITIATIVE. AS YOU HEARD, SO MANY
- 2 LOCAL OFFICIALS CAME TOGETHER, 88 CITIES, SCHOOL BOARDS, ET
- 3 CETERA. WE ALL RECOGNIZE THE INCREDIBLE IMPORTANCE OF PUBLIC
- 4 SAFETY AND THE FACT THAT IT CAN'T BE DONE CITY BY CITY. CRIME
- 5 KNOWS NO BOUNDARIES AND WE NEED TO REALLY HAVE A REGIONAL
- 6 APPROACH AND RESOLVE FOR THIS. SO, AGAIN, I DON'T WANT TO
- 7 REPEAT, I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU ALL FOR CONSIDERING, FOR
- 8 LISTENING, FOR ASKING THE QUESTIONS, FOR PROPOSING AMENDMENTS
- 9 AND I AM CONFIDENT BECAUSE I THINK, AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE
- 10 ALL KNOW THAT WE ARE, OF COURSE, RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THE
- 11 PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE COMMUNITY AND WE HAVE A COMMUNITY THAT
- 12 IS ASKING TO HAVE THIS ON THE BALLOT SO THAT THEY GET TO VOTE.
- 13 AND I HOPE THAT YOU WILL, AT THE END OF THE DAY, AGREE THAT IT
- 14 IS IMPERATIVE THAT THIS BE ON THE BALLOT AND THAT THE PEOPLE
- 15 HAVE A CHANCE TO VOTE AND SAY THAT THEY WANT THIS KIND OF TAX
- 16 FOR THESE SERVICES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YES?

- 20 ANN SAMUELSON: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ANN SAMUELSON. I'M
- 21 THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC POLICY FOR THE CENTRAL CITY
- 22 ASSOCIATION. I'D LIKE TO GIVE A LITTLE DIFFERENT ANGLE THAN
- 23 WHAT WE'VE HEARD THIS MORNING. ESTABLISHED IN 1924, C.C.A.'S
- 24 450 MEMBERS EMPLOY OVER 250,000 PEOPLE IN THE L.A. REGION. AT
- 25 A RECENT C.C.A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, OUR BOARD OF



- 1 DIRECTORS VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO SUPPORT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 2 PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY SALES TAX INITIATIVE
- 3 BECAUSE THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY APPRECIATES THE IMPORTANCE OF
- 4 THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND ITS ROLE IN CONDUCTING BUSINESS IN THE
- 5 REGION. THE CURRENT BUDGET CRISIS IS A SERIOUS IMPEDIMENT TO
- 6 KEEPING L.A. COUNTY SAFE AND THIS IS AN ENORMOUS OPPORTUNITY
- 7 TO RETOOL, REEOUIP AND ADD PERSONNEL TO DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE
- 8 BEEN FORCED TO MAKE DIFFICULT DECISIONS WHEN IT COMES TO
- 9 PATROLLING OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND BUSINESS DISTRICTS. THE
- 10 BUSINESS COMMUNITY IS NOT OFTEN WILLING TO IMPOSE A TAX TO
- 11 SUPPORT BASIC PUBLIC SERVICES, AS YOU WELL KNOW. HOWEVER, WE
- 12 UNDERSTAND THAT BUDGET CONSTRAINTS SHOULD NOT FORCE LAW
- 13 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO MAKE SUCH DIFFICULT CHOICES. IT IS
- 14 TIME TO GIVE THOSE WHO PROVIDE SECURE -- THOSE WHO PROVIDE A
- 15 SECURE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE COUNTY'S RESIDENTS THE RESOURCES
- 16 THEY NEED TO TACKLE AN ALREADY DIFFICULT JOB. CENTRAL CITY
- 17 ASSOCIATION IS CONFIDENT THAT, WITH PROPER OVERSIGHT, THESE
- 18 FUNDS WILL BE SPENT EFFICIENTLY AND IN A MANNER THAT DIRECTLY
- 19 BENEFITS THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THE BUSINESS
- 20 COMMUNITY IS HAPPY TO SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF SHERIFF BACA,
- 21 CHIEF BRATTON AND OTHER OFFICIALS AND LOOKS FORWARD TO WORKING
- 22 WITH YOU ON THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE. THANK YOU.

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24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ART AND THEN JIM AND THEN I'D

25 ASK GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL TO JOIN US AND HAL NETKIN.



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2 ARTHUR KASSEL: HELLO, MY NAME IS ARTHUR KASSEL. I JUST WANT TO

3 SAY THAT THIS IS PROBABLY THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT VOTE THAT

4 YOU GUYS AND LADIES WILL EVER MAKE. IT IS-- EVERY DAY YOU MAKE

5 JUDGMENTS AND YOU MAKE IMPORTANT DECISIONS THAT AFFECT THE

6 LIVES AND SAFETY OF EVERYBODY IN THE COUNTY AND THIS DECISION

7 OF PLACING THIS ON THE BALLOT TO ALLOW THE VOTERS A CHANCE TO

8 DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT THEY WANT TO DO THIS IS SO IMPORTANT

9 BECAUSE, IF IT DOESN'T PASS, THE ALTERNATIVE IS REALLY

10 DOWNSIZING AND A KIND OF A SPIRAL DOWN. AND, AS THEY START

11 SPIRALING DOWN, YOUR REAL ESTATE VALUES DON'T GO-- IF YOU

12 DON'T HAVE PUBLIC SAFETY, THINGS JUST KIND OF DEPRESS AND

13 DEPRESS AND DEPRESS. AND YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO KEEP IT

14 THERE AND TO MAKE IT WORK AND TO MAKE IT BETTER. AND I JUST

15 WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I SUPPORT THIS AND I THINK THE SHERIFF

16 IS A VERY BRAVE MAN FOR TAKING THIS ON HIMSELF WITH ALL THE

17 CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES TO DO THIS.

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19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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21 ARTHUR KASSEL: THANK YOU.

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23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: JIM, THEN GENEVIEVE, THEN HAL AND I'D ASK

24 DORIS SPAYES TO JOIN US, PLEASE.

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- 1 JIM LYNCH: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME'S
- 2 JIM LYNCH. I'M THE PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE CENTURY CITY
- 3 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, ONE OF THE -- REPRESENTING ONE OF THE
- 4 LARGEST BUSINESS DISTRICTS IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.
- 5 RECENTLY, OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS DECIDED UNANIMOUSLY TO
- 6 SUPPORT THIS INITIATIVE THAT SHERIFF BACA'S BEEN SO
- 7 COURAGEOUSLY ADVOCATING. AS A BUSINESS ISSUE, WE SEE THIS AS A
- 8 GOOD INVESTMENT. THIS TYPE OF-- THESE FUNDS ARE GOING TO GO
- 9 DIRECTLY TO LAW ENFORCEMENT. I KNOW THERE HAVE BEEN SOME
- 10 ISSUES HERE TODAY. YOU'RE A LOT OF VERY INTELLIGENT FOLKS AND
- 11 I HAVE ALL THE CONFIDENCE IN THE WORLD THAT YOU ARE GOING TO
- 12 BE ABLE TO ARTICULATE AND CRAFT THE PROPER INITIATIVE THAT WE
- 13 CAN ALL VOTE ON IN NOVEMBER. BUT WE DO LOOK AT THIS AS HAVING
- 14 A SIGNIFICANT RETURN ON INVESTMENT. IT'S GOING TO BE DIFFICULT
- 15 TO ATTRACT AND RETAIN BUSINESS, TO ENCOURAGE TOURISM AND TO
- 16 DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN A PROPER ECONOMY HERE WITH A REPUTATION
- 17 AS THE MURDER CAPITAL OF THE WORLD. THIS HAS A GOOD
- 18 OPPORTUNITY OF TURNING THAT AROUND ON A LONG-TERM BASIS, AND
- 19 WE IMPLORE YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, JIM. GENEVIEVE?

23 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YES. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

- 24 I AM VERY GLAD TO SEE THAT YOU ARE BRINGING TO THE PUBLIC TO
- 25 MAKE THE DECISION IF YOU WANT TO BE TAXED OR NOT. THAT'S ONE



- 1 THING, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR QUITE SOME TIME. I
- 2 WISH YOU HAVE SHOWN THE SAME AMOUNT OF COURTESY TO THE SEAL,
- 3 TO BRING IT TO THE PEOPLE TO VOTE ON IT. AND I THINK, YOU
- 4 KNOW, I'M TOTALLY IN AGREEMENT, I THINK THE PUBLIC SHOULD
- 5 DECIDE FOR A TAX INCREASE, IF THEY WANT IT OR NOT. I'M ALWAYS
- 6 IN SUPPORT TO INCREASE THE SAFETY. I THINK THAT THE CRAFTING
- 7 OF THE, YOU KNOW, PROPOSAL NEEDS TO BE VERY SPECIFIC, HAS TO
- 8 HAVE A SAFETY NET, HOW THE MONEY IS SPENT. I THINK THIS COUNTY
- 9 HAS NOT BEEN GOOD ON TAKING CARE OF HOW THE MONEY IS SPENT. SO
- 10 I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT, AGAIN, TO THE BOARD ON WHAT'S GOING ON
- 11 AT M.L.K. AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW OUR MONEY HAS BEEN
- 12 SPENT. I'M TOTALLY IN SUPPORT, BY THE WAY, AND I ADMIRE
- 13 SHERIFF BACA TO BRING IT TO THE PUBLIC. THANK YOU.

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15 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, GENEVIEVE. HAL AND THEN DORIS.

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- 17 HAL NETKIN: YES, SUPERVISORS AND SHERIFF BACA. SHERIFF BACA, A
- 18 FEW WEEKS AGO WHEN MY FAMILY AND I MET YOU PERSONALLY, MY WIFE
- 19 AND MY KIDS, WE WALKED AWAY KNOWING THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS
- 20 LUCKY TO HAVE YOU AS ITS SHERIFF AND WE SUPPORT YOU. I KNOW
- 21 HOW DIFFICULT IT MUST BE... [ SCATTERED APPLAUSE ]

- 23 HAL NETKIN: THANK YOU. I KNOW HOW DIFFICULT IT MUST BE TO ASK
- 24 THE TAXPAYERS FOR MORE MONEY. I HAVE THAT PROBLEM AT HOME WHEN
- 25 MY WIFE TELLS ME THAT SHE NEEDS TO INCREASE HER GROCERY BUDGET



- 1 DUE TO THE RISING EXPENSES. SINCE MY FAMILY'S INCOME IS FIXED,
- 2 WE HAVE TO FIGURE OUT WHAT COSTS WE HAVE TO CUT IN ORDER TO
- 3 HAVE THE MONEY WE NEED TO INCREASE THE GROCERY BUDGET. SO IT
- 4 IS WITH THE TAXPAYERS. MOST CITIZENS WILL PUT UP WITH A TAX
- 5 INCREASE IF THEY KNOW THAT THE COUNTY WILL MAKE AN EFFORT TO,
- 6 AT THE SAME TIME, CUT EXPENSES SO THAT ANOTHER TAX INCREASE
- 7 WON'T BE NEEDED LATER ON. SHERIFF, YOUR OWN STUDY IN 2000
- 8 REVEALED THAT AN ESTIMATED 38,748 COUNTY INMATES, WHICH
- 9 AMOUNTED TO 23% OF THE JAILED POPULATION, WERE DEPORTABLE
- 10 ILLEGAL ALIENS COSTING THE COUNTY \$150 MILLION. THERE IS A
- 11 SOLUTION FOR THE COUNTY TO SAVE THAT \$150 MILLION. \$150
- 12 MILLION. THAT IS ENOUGH TO HIRE 1,500 DEPUTIES WITH EACH
- 13 RECEIVING A YEARLY SALARY AND BENEFITS PACKAGE WORTH \$100,000.
- 14 IF YOU DO THE MATH, YOU'LL SEE THAT THAT'S SO. THE CITIZENS
- 15 WILL SIGN ON TO A PETITION AND VOTE FOR THAT HALF PERCENT
- 16 SALES TAX INCREASE BUT ONLY IF THE COUNTY SHOWS A GOOD FAITH
- 17 THAT IT WILL CUT EXPENSES AND HERE'S HOW THE COUNTY CAN DO IT.
- 18 KEEP RELEASING PRISONERS AS YOU HAVE BEEN DOING TO CUT
- 19 EXPENSES BUT RELEASE THE DEPORTABLE ILLEGAL ALIENS ONES TO
- 20 I.C.E., WHICH IS THE IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT. DO
- 21 IT LIKE THE CITY OF ANAHEIM DOES IT. A PART-TIME I.C.E. AGENT
- 22 IS AT HAND THREE TEAMS A DAY TO TAKE DEPORTABLE
- 23 UNDESIRABLEABLES OFF THE CITY'S HANDS AND INTO I.C.E.'S OWN
- 24 JAIL FOR A QUICK DEPORTATION. I MIGHT ADD THE DISTRICT
- 25 ATTORNEY DOESN'T HAVE TO DEAL WITH THEM AT THAT POINT.



- 1 SHERIFF, IF YOU OR ANY OF THE SUPERVISORS WANT MORE
- 2 INFORMATION ON THE I.C.E. AND ANAHEIM COOPERATION EFFORT,
- 3 CONTACT ME AND I WILL PUT YOU IN TOUCH WITH ANAHEIM POLICE
- 4 OFFICIAL WHO IMPLEMENTED THIS SUCCESSFUL PLAN. I'D LIKE TO
- 5 GIVE THIS TO EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS.

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7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. DORIS?

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9 HAL NETKIN: YOU ALREADY HAVE ONE.

- 11 DORIS SPAYES: GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIR AND HONORABLE COUNTY
- 12 SUPERVISOR. I'M DORIS J. SPAYES, I AM JUST A STAKEHOLDER AND A
- 13 CITIZEN. I AM A STAKEHOLDER IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. I AM ALSO
- 14 IN THE EIGHTH DISTRICT IN LOS ANGELES BUT I DO NOT SPEAK FOR
- 15 ANY OF THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT I'M WITH BUT JUST AS A
- 16 STAKEHOLDER. I DO SUPPORT PUTTING THIS ON THE BALLOT.
- 17 MOREOVER, BECAUSE, AS YOU KNOW, WHEN IT GOES THERE, IT WILL BE
- 18 THE STAKEHOLDERS WHO ACTUALLY VOTE ON IT. I FEEL THAT WE
- 19 SHOULD BE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO SAY YAY OR NAY. NOT ONLY
- 20 THAT, I THINK, IN THE PROCESS, WE ALL HAVE DIFFICULTIES OR
- 21 MAYBE NOT WE ALL-- MOST OF US DO HAVE DIFFICULTIES WITH THE
- 22 POLICE DEPARTMENT, SO I DO NOT TRY TO COVER ANY OF THOSE
- 23 THINGS. I AGREE THAT THERE SHOULD BE ACCOUNTABILITY, I AGREE
- 24 THAT THERE SHOULD BE OVERSIGHT, BUT I ALSO THINK THAT WE MISS
- 25 THE FACT THAT THERE ARE VERY GOOD POLICEMEN AS WELL AND



- 1 SHERIFFS ON THE DEPARTMENT THAT SOMETIMES WE OVERLOOK BECAUSE
- 2 OF ALL THE OTHER DIFFICULTIES AND TRAGEDIES THAT GO ON. I FEEL
- 3 THAT WE NEED TO PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT, LET THE PEOPLE DECIDE,
- 4 ALSO TO SUPPORT THOSE POLICEMEN AND LETTING THEM KNOW, THE
- 5 ONES WHO DO A GOOD JOB, THAT WE DO CARE ABOUT THEM AND THAT WE
- 6 DO SUPPORT THEM. SO I PLEASE SOLICIT TO EACH OF YOU, PLEASE
- 7 ALLOW THIS TO GO ON THE BALLOT, LET THE PEOPLE DECIDE WHETHER
- 8 OR NOT THEY WISH TO HAVE THIS TAXED. THANK YOU.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THAT'S THE END OF OUR SPEAKERS.
- 11 SHERIFF BACA, YOU WANTED TO RESPOND?

- 13 SHERIFF LEE BACA: WELL, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND MR. CHAIRMAN,
- 14 I'M SURE THAT ALL OF US ARE MUCH MORE INFORMED AS TO WHAT THIS
- 15 MEASURE'S ALL ABOUT IN THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF THE ELECTED
- 16 LEADERS AS WELL AS THOSE WHO LEAD LAW ENFORCEMENT. I THINK THE
- 17 AMENDMENTS ARE REASONABLE THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS
- 18 BROUGHT FORTH. THERE ARE QUESTIONS, OF COURSE, THAT SUPERVISOR
- 19 MOLINA CORRECTLY NEED TO HAVE ANSWERED, AND I'VE BEEN WORKING
- 20 WITH MEMBERS OF HER STAFF IN RESPONDING TO SOME OF THOSE
- 21 QUESTIONS. I THINK THAT, WHEN I SUMMARIZE WHAT WE'VE ALL BEEN
- 22 DISCUSSING, THE GREATEST THING ABOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IN
- 23 ADDITION TO ITS SIZE, IS ITS RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY, ITS ETHNIC
- 24 AND RACIAL DIVERSITY, AND THE FACT THAT CALIFORNIA PROUDLY
- 25 SAYS IT'S THE FIFTH LARGEST ECONOMY. I'VE HEARD TWO GOVERNORS



- 1 SAY THAT. I ALSO KNOW THAT LOS ANGELES, IN CONTRAST TO
- 2 CALIFORNIA BEING THE FIFTH LARGEST ECONOMY IN THE WORLD, THAT
- 3 LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS THE NINTH LARGEST ECONOMY IN THE WORLD,
- 4 AND I ASK THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ELECTED TO STATEWIDE OFFICE IN
- 5 SACRAMENTO TO ASK THEMSELVES, WHERE WOULD CALIFORNIA BE
- 6 WITHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY? LOS ANGELES COUNTY MAY HAVE THE
- 7 PROBLEMS OF MURDER, GANGS, AND THE PASS-THROUGH OF DRUGS FROM
- 8 THIS PART OF THE UNITED STATES TO THE REST OF THE UNITED
- 9 STATES BUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS SOME OF THE MOST TALENTED
- 10 PEOPLE OF WHICH WE'VE HEARD FROM AND, OF COURSE, YOU'RE PART
- 11 OF THAT GROUP, PEOPLE WHO ARE ELECTED IN 88 CITIES. 88 CITIES
- 12 PROVIDE THE MUNICIPAL POLICING FOR 8.8 MILLION PEOPLE. WE, IN
- 13 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THROUGH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, ARE
- 14 POLICING APPROXIMATELY 2.7 MILLION PEOPLE. IN THE COUNTY, IT'S
- 15 1.2 MILLION. THERE AREN'T ANY NEW IDEAS THAT I CAN BRING
- 16 FORWARD TO YOU TODAY. THE INITIATIVE WAS PREPARED BY THE
- 17 COUNTY COUNSEL. A COMMITTEE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM
- 18 INDEPENDENT CITIES AND CONTRACT CITIES, BOTH MAYORS, COUNCIL
- 19 MEMBERS, AND CITY MANAGERS HELPED PUT THIS TOGETHER. IT IS AT
- 20 THE FINE TUNE LEVEL AND CAN BE FINE TUNED TO YOUR DEGREE OF
- 21 COMFORT. I ASK YOU TO BRING YOUR IDEAS TO THE TABLE, AS
- 22 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND
- 23 SUPERVISOR BURKE HAS, IN ADDITION TO YOURSELF, MR. CHAIRMAN.
- 24 ALL THIS IS NOW IS DOWN TO FIVE PEOPLE. I APPRECIATE THE
- 25 QUESTION AS TO WHERE THE SIGNATURES ARE. WE ARE AT 173,000



- 1 SIGNATURES. IT'S SOMEWHAT OF A REMINISCENT NUMBER TO OUR LAST
- 2 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. WE DON'T THINK THAT 173,000 SIGNATURES
- 3 MAY MAKE IT BECAUSE THEY ALL HAVE TO BE VALIDATED BUT THEY
- 4 WILL BE TURNED IN. IN FACT, THEY'VE BEEN TURNED IN AS OF
- 5 APPROXIMATELY A HALF HOUR AGO. THE KEY ISSUES ARE THIS: I,
- 6 ALONG WITH YOU, HAVE GONE TO WASHINGTON FOR THE PAST SIX YEARS
- 7 AND I'VE REPEATEDLY GONE TO SACRAMENTO, AS YOU HAVE, PLEADING
- 8 FOR UNDERSTANDING AND REASON ON THE PART OF THOSE OFFICES THAT
- 9 ARE IN SACRAMENTO AND WASHINGTON FOR MORE FUNDING, FUNDING
- 10 THAT IS CRITICAL TO THIS COUNTY LIKE NO OTHER COUNTY IN THE
- 11 UNITED STATES. WE ARE THE LEADER COUNTY OF THIS COUNTRY. WE
- 12 ARE THE GREATEST COUNTY IN THIS COUNTRY. THUS, OUR ECONOMIC
- 13 VIBRANCY, AS ERIC GARCETTI HAS SAID, IS AT BAY HERE WITH THIS
- 14 INITIATIVE BECAUSE THE SAFER THE COUNTY IS, THE MORE BUSINESS
- 15 IS ATTRACTED, THUS, MORE TOURISM. YOU KNOW THIS BETTER THAN I
- 16 DO. YOU'VE HAD THE DIFFICULTY OF TRYING TO PROVIDE MORE
- 17 SERVICES TO MORE PEOPLE WITH LESS DOLLARS THAN ANY OTHER
- 18 MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT IN THIS COUNTRY. YOU DON'T HAVE EXTRA
- 19 REVENUE TO IMPROVE MY BUDGET. I KNOW THAT. THIS IS NEW
- 20 REVENUE. THIS IS REVENUE THAT EVERY MAN AND WOMAN IN THIS
- 21 COUNTY WHO VOTES WILL SAY, "WE'LL GIVE IT TO OUR PUBLIC SAFETY
- 22 MISSION." AND HARD LAW ENFORCEMENT ALONE WON'T SOLVE IT. WE
- 23 WANT TO HAVE THIS MONEY SPENT ON INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION
- 24 AS WELL. I THINK IT'S CRITICAL. SO I ASK YOU TO DISCUSS THIS
- 25 AMONGST YOURSELVES, COME UP WITH THE APPROPRIATE ADJUSTMENTS,



- 1 AS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS DONE. THERE'S NO OPPOSITION TO
- 2 SOME FUNDING MADE AVAILABLE TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.
- 3 THE CHIEFS OF POLICE AND I HAVE TALKED ABOUT THIS AND I
- 4 BELIEVE IT'S APPROPRIATE BECAUSE PROSECUTING CRIMINALS IS A
- 5 PART OF THE WHOLE PROCESS IN THAT SIDE OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE
- 6 SYSTEM. BUT I ALSO SAY SPECIFICALLY THAT MONEY MUST BE SET
- 7 ASIDE, WHETHER IT'S 10% OR 15%, FOR THE INTERVENTION PART,
- 8 ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO GANGS AND DRUGS. SO, WITH THAT, I
- 9 THANK YOU AND I'LL ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.

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11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS OF THE SHERIFF?

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- 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THE FORMULA THAT-- THERE'S A DIFFERENT
- 14 FORMULA THAN-- THE FORMULA IN YOUR INITIATIVE DOES NOT PROVIDE
- 15 THE RESOURCES FOR THE COUNTY JAIL TO THE LEVEL THAT IS
- 16 REOUIRED TO MEET YOUR NEEDS AND TO PREVENT THE PREMATURE
- 17 RELEASING OF INMATES. AS THE CHIEF COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT
- 18 OFFICER, THE JAIL OUGHT TO BE A TOP PRIORITY, AS INCREASED
- 19 FOOT PATROLS OR PATROLS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AND
- 20 THAT'S A CONCERN WHICH WE HAVE DISCUSSED BEFORE.

- 22 SHERIFF LEE BACA: I THINK THAT'S AN APPROPRIATE OBSERVATION.
- 23 5% SET ASIDE MAY NOT BE ENOUGH FOR COUNTYWIDE SERVICES. IT'S
- 24 IN YOUR POWER, AS A BOARD, TO INCREASE THAT PERCENT AND,
- 25 CERTAINLY, IF THIS DISTRICT ATTORNEY IS GOING TO RECEIVE SOME



- 1 OF THAT FUNDING, I DON'T THINK IT WOULD BE UNREASONABLE TO
- 2 INCREASE IT TO 7% OR 8%, FOR THAT MATTER. THUS THE ENTIRE
- 3 AMOUNT, AS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS MOTIONED IN HIS
- 4 AMENDMENT, WOULD PROVIDE THE 25 MILLION WHOLLY TO THE CUSTODY
- 5 AND JAILING FUNCTIONS. AND I THINK THAT THAT'S CERTAINLY A
- 6 BASELINE THAT'S WORTH SUPPORTING. IT COULD BE MORE, OBVIOUSLY.
- 7 WE CAN KEEP ON FUNDING THE JAILS, HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF
- 8 DOLLARS MORE, AS NEW YORK HAS DONE WITH LESS POPULATION. NEW
- 9 YORK'S JAIL BUDGET IS ABOUT \$800 MILLION. MINE IS ABOUT 480
- 10 MILLION. BUT I CERTAINLY AM OPEN TO INCREASING THE COUNTYWIDE
- 11 PERCENT.

- 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ALSO, THE-- WHICH-- YOU CAN'T BE HELD AT
- 14 FAULT FOR IS THE FACT, THAT WHEN YOU INITIATED YOUR
- 15 INITIATIVE, THAT WAS PRIOR TO THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL TO
- 16 REFORM THE FINANCING OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THE QUALIFICATION
- 17 OF THE STATE INITIATIVE AT THE C.S.A.C., THE LEAGUE OF CITIES,
- 18 CONTRACT CITIES, INDEPENDENT CITIES INITIATIVE. AND THE
- 19 PROPOSAL WITH THE GOVERNOR IS TO HAVE ANOTHER STATE
- 20 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT IN NOVEMBER OR, SHORT OF THAT, WE
- 21 WILL SUPPORT THE-- AT THE CITIES AND COUNTIES PROPOSAL BUT IN
- 22 HIS PROPOSAL TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE IS A THREE-YEAR PROJECT
- 23 WHERE WE WILL BEGIN RECEIVING OUR PROPERTY TAXES AT A GREATER
- 24 SHARE IN THE THIRD YEAR FOR THE REDUCTIONS THAT WE'VE TAKEN
- 25 THIS YEAR AND NEXT YEAR. AND THE PROPOSAL THAT YOU HAVE WOULD



- 1 NOT HAVE A SUNSET CLAUSE AND THE REASON IS BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T
- 2 KNOW IF THE GOVERNOR WOULD BE MAKING THIS AGREEMENT WITH THE
- 3 LEGISLATURE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT. BUT THAT'S ALSO ANOTHER
- 4 ISSUE IS RELATIVE TO A SUNSET CLAUSE THAT WOULD KICK IN IN THE
- 5 THIRD YEAR WHEN THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL IS IMPLEMENTED INTO
- 6 LAW.

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- 8 SHERIFF LEE BACA: DID YOU WANT ME TO RESPOND AT ALL,
- 9 SUPERVISOR?

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11 SUP. ANTONOVICH: I MEAN, IT'S JUST A...

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13 SHERIFF LEE BACA: JUST A COMMENT?

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH: YEAH.** 

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17 SHERIFF LEE BACA: THANK YOU.

- 19 SUP. MOLINA: MR. YAROSLAVSKY, DO YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD? I HAVE
- 20 SOME QUESTIONS. SHERIFF, ONE OF THE CONCERNS, AND YOU AND I
- 21 HAVE DISCUSSED IT FROM TIME TO TIME, BUT HOW WE GET OUR HANDS
- 22 AROUND IT IS A TOUGH ONE. AND IT IS PROBABLY VERY CLEAR TO ME
- 23 THAT THE CONTRACT CITIES ARE NOT GOING TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES
- 24 AND HOW THE AUDITOR AND THE C.A.O. ARE GOING TO GET THEIR
- 25 HANDS AROUND SOME OF THESE ISSUES IS VERY TOUGH BUT, IF YOU



- 1 LOOK AT, IN THE REPORT THAT THE AUDITOR DID, HE FOUND THAT
- 2 THERE WERE POTENTIALLY \$233 MILLION OF SERVICES THAT ARE
- 3 PROVIDED. AGAIN, NOT SAYING THAT THIS GOES TO THE CONTRACT
- 4 CITIES EXCLUSIVELY BECAUSE IT'S COUNTYWIDE AND IT'S EVERYTHING
- 5 FROM ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO THE SAFE STREETS PROGRAM TO
- 6 OUR NARCOTICS, COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS, OUR SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT,
- 7 OUR MAJOR CRIMES UNIT, EVEN TRAINING, BASIC SCIENTIFIC LABS
- 8 AND, OF COURSE, RECORDS AND IDENTIFICATION. I DON'T KNOW WHAT
- 9 THAT PORTION WILL BE AND WHATEVER THAT PORTION IS IS NEVER
- 10 GOING TO BE WELL ACCEPTED BY THE CONTRACT CITIES BUT IT ISN'T
- 11 FAIR, EITHER, BECAUSE IT-- AND THE CONTRACT CITIES SHOULDN'T
- 12 HAVE TO BEAR THE BRUNT EXCLUSIVELY, EITHER. THE CITY OF L.A.
- 13 IS ALSO BENEFITING FROM MANY OF THOSE SERVICES. SO IS THERE--
- 14 ARE YOU RECEPTIVE TO LOOKING AT AN OPPORTUNITY IN WHICH WE
- 15 WOULD LOOK AT SOME OF THESE-- IF ONLY 10% WERE PAID, JUST BY
- 16 THE CONTRACT CITIES OF-- IN THIS, IT WOULD BE \$23 MILLION THAT
- 17 YOUR DEPARTMENT WOULD GET.

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19 SHERIFF LEE BACA: RIGHT. INDEED.

- 21 SUP. MOLINA: IF IT'S 20%, IT'S 46-- I MEAN, WE'RE TALKING LOTS
- 22 OF MONEY. AND SO IT SEEMS THAT WE SHOULD HAVE A WAY THAT WE
- 23 CAN BRING MORE PARITY AND EQUITY INTO THIS THING, INCLUDING
- 24 THE CUSTODY ISSUE, INCLUDING THE CUSTODY ISSUE IN WHICH YOU
- 25 HAVE ESCALATING COSTS, IS TO HOW YOU TAKE IT AND DO IT OFF THE



- 1 TOP AS COMPARED TO TRYING TO FIND THIS LONGWINDED WAY TO
- 2 NEGOTIATE WITH THE CONTRACT CITIES. MY CONCERN IS, UNDER THIS
- 3 PROPOSAL, IS-- THE CITY OF L.A. GETS \$167 MILLION AND THEN YOU
- 4 HAVE VARIOUS AMOUNTS FOR THE VARIOUS CITIES. THE CONTRACT
- 5 CITIES GET \$96 MILLION. NOW, ONE WOULD ASSUME, IF YOU'RE GOING
- 6 TO SPEND IT ON SECURITY OR ENHANCED POLICE SERVICES OR SO ON,
- 7 THIS IS WHAT WE'RE GOING TO CAMPAIGN TO IF WE PUT THIS ON THE
- 8 BALLOT TO THE TAXPAYERS, YOU'RE GOING TO GET MORE DEPUTIES,
- 9 YOU'RE GOING TO GET MORE POLICE PROTECTION.

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11 SHERIFF LEE BACA: RIGHT.

- 13 SUP. MOLINA: BUT I DON'T THINK, UNDER THIS SCENARIO, YOU'RE
- 14 NECESSARILY GOING TO GET \$96 MILLION MORE OF DOLLARS TO CREATE
- 15 THOSE SLOTS, TO GET THE EQUIPMENT, THE CARS AND EVERYTHING
- 16 NECESSARY TO PROVIDE IT IN THOSE AREAS. SO I THINK THERE'S
- 17 SOME ROOM HERE IN WHICH WE SHOULD BE DISCUSSING AS TO HOW TO
- 18 TAKE MORE OFF OF THE TOP FOR SOME OF THESE RELATED
- 19 RESPONSIBILITIES THAT I DON'T THINK NECESSARILY GO AWAY. NOW,
- 20 I DON'T KNOW THAT THE CITIES ARE WILLING TO WORK WITH YOU OR
- 21 EVEN THE CITY OF L.A. IS WILLING TO WORK WITH YOU ON SOME OF
- 22 THOSE THINGS, BUT IT SEEMS IT'S PRETTY IMPORTANT TO ALL OF US
- 23 COLLECTIVELY. YET AT THE SAME TIME, WHEN WE LOOK AT THE ISSUES
- 24 OF CUSTODY, IT IS, AGAIN, I MEAN, WE HAVE TO FIND THE MONEY,
- 25 WE HAVE TO PUT-- WE HAVE TO LOOK AT OTHER PROGRAMS THAT MAY



- 1 NOT BE OUT THERE IN ORDER TO FIND THE MONEY TO FULLY FUND IT.
- 2 EVERYBODY POINTS TO US TO DO SO. WELL, THAT'S AT THE EXPENSE
- 3 OF SOMETHING ELSE, AS WE KNOW. HERE WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY, AN
- 4 AWFUL LOT OF REVENUE, AND IF, IN FACT, YOU'RE GOING TO PROVIDE
- 5 SAFETY TO PEOPLE, IT ISN'T JUST HAVING ANOTHER PATROL CAR,
- 6 IT'S WHEN YOU CATCH THIS CROOK, THAT YOU'RE GOING TO PROSECUTE
- 7 HIM AND THAT YOU'RE GOING TO PUT HIM IN JAIL. THAT'S WHAT
- 8 PEOPLE WANT. THAT'S SAFETY. IT ISN'T ENOUGH RUNNING THEM
- 9 AROUND AND RUNNING THEM INTO ANOTHER TOWN. IT'S HOW DO YOU DO
- 10 IT. SO THOSE ARE SHARED COSTS, AND I THINK THAT WE NEED TO
- 11 LOOK AT A FORMULA THAT DEALS WITH MORE EQUITY AS TO HOW WE
- 12 CARRY OUT THOSE THINGS. RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE BURDENED WITH ALL OF
- 13 THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES. THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT YOU TOOK THE
- 14 LEADERSHIP TO GO OUT THERE AND EVERYBODY HAS BEEN GRATEFUL AND
- 15 THANKED YOU FOR IT AND THE CITIES ARE, YOU KNOW, LOOKING FOR
- 16 AN OPPORTUNITY TO BRING THIS MONEY INTO THEIR COMMUNITIES AND,
- 17 HOPEFULLY, PROVIDE MORE SAFETY, THE CONTRACT CITIES AS WELL,
- 18 BUT I'M NOT GOING TO GET ANYWHERE, I CAN TELL, WITH THE
- 19 CONTRACT CITIES. I MEAN, THEY'RE GOING TO WALTZ ALL OVER TOWN
- 20 BEFORE THEY ANSWER MY QUESTION AND IT IS QUITE EVIDENT THAT
- 21 IT'S GOING TO TAKE US AWHILE TO REALLY GET THE PER CAPITA
- 22 ALLOCATION OR WHAT THAT COULD BE AS FAR AS THAT COST AND THEN
- 23 YOU'VE GOT TO NEGOTIATE WITH THOSE CITIES. AND SO IT'S A REAL
- 24 TOUGH ONE. SO I THINK WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO IT RIGHT IN
- 25 THIS INITIATIVE.



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SHERIFF LEE BACA: I THINK YOU DO, TOO.

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- 4 SUP. MOLINA: AND WE REALLY SHOULD LOOK AT SOME WAY TO DO THAT.
- 5 AND I REALLY-- I KNOW, THAT FROM MY SUPPORT, THAT IS SOMETHING
- 6 THAT I'M INTERESTED IN DOING BECAUSE I KNOW, AS WE GO THROUGH
- 7 YOUR BUDGET OF THESE EXTRA RESPONSIBILITIES, THAT NOBODY ELSE
- 8 GETS FOR THE MOST PART, YOU HAVE, LIKE, AN OVERLAY
- 9 RESPONSIBILITY AND A DUTY THAT OTHER AREAS DO NOT HAVE, AND SO
- 10 I THINK WE HAVE TO FIND THAT WAY TO BRING MORE EQUITY TO THIS
- 11 PROPOSAL AND THAT IS ONE OF THE WAYS. AND I'M CERTAINLY
- 12 INTERESTED IN TALKING TO YOU ABOUT VERY SPECIFIC WAYS IN WHICH
- 13 TO DO IT. BECAUSE, OTHERWISE, WHILE IT IS HARD, I FEEL AS
- 14 THOUGH, THROUGH THIS-- THROUGH THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS IS
- 15 WHERE WE'RE GOING TO BE SUBSIDIZING THOSE OTHER EXPENSES ONCE
- 16 AGAIN, LIKE TRAINING. YOU DON'T GET PAID FOR IT BY YOUR
- 17 CONTRACT CITIES TO TRAIN THOSE DEPUTIES.

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19 SHERIFF LEE BACA: CORRECT.

- 21 SUP. MOLINA: SO THAT'S A SUBSIDY. SOMEBODY'S PAYING FOR IT. SO
- 22 COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE PAYING FOR IT THROUGH THEIR OTHER BUDGET
- 23 AND THOSE ARE SUBSIDIES. AGAIN, MAYBE NOT A GOOD WORD TO USE
- 24 BECAUSE PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO SAY IT THAT WAY BUT WE HAVE AN
- 25 OPPORTUNITY TO BRING MORE EQUITY AS TO HOW THESE RESOURCES ARE



- 1 ALLOCATED IN THE WAY THAT WE ARE GOING TO WORD OR PUT THE
- 2 LANGUAGE TOGETHER. NOW, THAT MEANS WE HAVE TO ROLL UP OUR
- 3 SLEEVES AND FIGURE OUT THE WAY TO DO IT. I AM AMENABLE TO IT,
- 4 I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN BRINGING, ONCE AND FOR ALL, THE KIND
- 5 OF EQUITY THAT WE CAN. IF PEOPLE ARE GOING TO SUPPORT IT, THEY
- 6 NEED TO SUPPORT THE ENTIRE COMPONENT, NOT JUST FOR THE CITY TO
- 7 SAY, LOOK, IT'S GOING TO BRING MORE MONEY IN, I'M GOING TO GET
- 8 MORE SERVICES. THEY, LIKE EVERYONE ELSE, WANT THE SAFETY ISSUE
- 9 AND THE SAFETY ISSUE JUST DOESN'T BEGIN AND END WITH PUTTING
- 10 ANOTHER COP OUT IN THE STREETS, IT'S TAKING IT THE WHOLE NINE
- 11 YARDS, AS THEY SAY.

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13 SHERIFF LEE BACA: TOTAL SYSTEM, YES.

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- 15 SUP. MOLINA: SO I WOULD WELCOME ANY INPUT THAT YOU WOULD HAVE.
- 16 I DON'T KNOW IF WE'RE GOING TO VOTE TODAY. I'M NOT PREPARED TO
- 17 VOTE TODAY BUT I'M CERTAINLY PREPARED TO LEND MY SUPPORT OF
- 18 THIS IF, IN FACT, WE CAN FIND THE KIND OF LANGUAGE THAT'S
- 19 GOING TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE AS WELL AS A COUPLE OF OTHERS.

- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BURKE, JUST
- 22 BEFORE-- I THINK, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, I'M CALLING YOU NEXT. IN
- 23 RELATIONSHIP TO YOUR COMMENT, AGAIN, ABOUT CONTRACT CITIES, I
- 24 MEAN, I THINK YOU HEARD FROM ONE OF THE CONTRACT CITIES THAT
- 25 WAS HERE TODAY, THEIR WILLINGNESS TO WORK WITH US ON SOME OF



- 1 THOSE ISSUES, AND PARTICULARLY THE CITY THAT WAS HERE WAS THE
- 2 CITY THAT STARTED THIS PARTNERSHIP SOME 50 YEARS AGO, SO...
- 3 SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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- 5 SUP. BURKE: YES. OF COURSE, I AM VERY CONCERNED, AS SUPERVISOR
- 6 MOLINA IS, IN TERMS OF TYING DOWN EXACTLY HOW THIS WHOLE THING
- 7 WORKS AS FAR AS UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND HOW YOU SEPARATE OUT
- 8 THE ALLOCATIONS THAT GO TO THE SHERIFF GENERALLY FOR
- 9 COUNTYWIDE TO THE TREATMENT OF UNINCORPORATED CITIES WHERE
- 10 IT'S NOT VERY EASY FOR US TO IDENTIFY EXACTLY HOW MUCH THEY
- 11 HAVE HAD FOR PUBLIC SAFETY THE YEAR BEFORE. I THINK THAT, IN
- 12 TERMS OF THE COUNTY CITIES, WE KNOW HOW MUCH THEY'RE SPENDING
- 13 FOR-- OR AT LEAST HOW MUCH THEY'RE PAYING TO YOU FOR SERVICES
- 14 THE PREVIOUS YEAR FOR PUBLIC SAFETY. IT GETS TO BE A LITTLE
- 15 BIT CLOUDY AS IT RELATES TO UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND I WOULD
- 16 HOPE THAT THAT'S ALL MADE VERY CLEAR SO THAT THEY CAN'T BE THE
- 17 UNCERTAINTY AS IT RELATES TO THAT. BUT MY QUESTION REALLY ALSO
- 18 RELATES TO THE INTEROPERABILITY SYSTEM AND THAT'S GOING TO
- 19 COST ABOUT HOW MUCH?

- 21 SHERIFF LEE BACA: WELL, THE COSTS ARE VARIABLE. THERE'S TWO OR
- 22 THREE PLANS. THE INTEROPERABILITY, FOR THOSE THAT ARE NOT
- 23 FAMILIAR, ARE THE ABILITY FOR POLICE AND FIRE TO COMMUNICATE
- 24 UNDER A SINGLE COMMUNICATION NETWORK. IN THIS COUNTY, WE HAVE
- 25 30 FIRE DEPARTMENTS, 45 POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND THE SHERIFF'S



- 1 DEPARTMENT. WE HAVE A NEED TO CREATE A SINGULAR SYSTEM
- 2 COUNTYWIDE, AS IS DONE IN ORANGE COUNTY. ESTIMATES RANGE FROM
- 3 SEVERAL HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO A HALF A BILLION
- 4 DOLLARS TO DO IT IN THIS COUNTY. TECHNOLOGY ADVANCES ARE
- 5 CAUSING US TO RETHINK THOSE ESTIMATES BECAUSE THE STUDIES
- 6 CHANGE IN COST BASED ON NEW TECHNOLOGY. SO I DON'T THINK THE
- 7 10-- THE 2% THAT MR. YAROSLAVSKY IS PROPOSING IS REASONABLE.
- 8 IT'S ABOUT 10 OR \$12 MILLION, DEPENDING ON THE TOTAL AMOUNT
- 9 COLLECTED, TO GET US MOVING IN THAT DIRECTION. THERE IS AN
- 10 OVERSIGHT BODY OF CHIEFS OF POLICE THAT HAS A OVERARCHING
- 11 COORDINATING PLANNING AUTHORITY SO THAT WE CAN DO IT THE RIGHT
- 12 WAY BUT I THINK THAT, ABSENT A FULL UPDATING OF WHAT
- 13 TECHNOLOGY CHANGES HAVE ALLOWED, WE'RE ALMOST BETTER OFF
- 14 WAITING FOR THAT SOPHISTICATED NEW WAY OF DOING THINGS WITHOUT
- 15 RUNNING UP THE COSTS TO HALF A BILLION DOLLARS. I THINK WE CAN
- 16 DO IT FOR A COUPLE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS. THIS IS A START.

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- 18 SUP. BURKE: WILL THAT DECISION BE MADE BY C.C.J.C. OR IS THIS
- 19 GOING TO BE A SEPARATE DECISION, THINKING PROCESS?

- 21 SHERIFF LEE BACA: WE WILL BRING IT THROUGH C.C.J.C. ONCE WE
- 22 HAVE SOME TARGETED FUNDING, WHICH THIS WOULD BE, DEDICATED FOR
- 23 THAT FUNCTION. I KNOW THE COUNTY HAS ITS PLAN WITH THE L.A.
- 24 COUNTY SHERIFF AND THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE. THEY WERE RUNNING
- 25 THEM SOMEWHAT PARALLEL BUT THEY ARE DIFFERENT. ONE IS



- 1 COUNTYWIDE IN TERMS OF ALL AGENCIES AND THE CURRENT COUNTY
- 2 PLAN IS FOR L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF AND L.A. COUNTY FIRE.

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- 4 SUP. BURKE: SO THAT THE WAY THIS WOULD WORK IS THAT THERE'S
- 5 GOING TO BE SOME PROPOSAL THAT COMES THROUGH POSSIBLY C.C.J.C.
- 6 OR SOMEONE, OR YOU INITIATE A PROPOSAL, AND I ASSUME C.C.J.C.
- 7 WOULD HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH IT BUT IT WOULD BE SEPARATE
- 8 AND APART FROM THE EXISTING ORGANIZATION THAT HAS BEEN TRYING
- 9 TO MOVE FORWARD TO IDENTIFY THIS INTEROPERABILITY SYSTEM, SOME
- 10 OF THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED IN THE PAST?

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- 12 SHERIFF LEE BACA: WELL, THE PLANNING IS ONGOING. THE PROBLEM
- 13 IS THE ALMIGHTY DOLLAR AND, AS SOON AS WE CAN BREAK LOOSE WITH
- 14 SOME REALISTIC GAINS IN OUR BUDGETS, WE'LL BE ABLE TO DO
- 15 SOMETHING CONCRETE TO BRING TO YOU.

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- 17 SUP. BURKE: BUT I GUESS WHEN YOU SAY THE 2% MAY BE UNREALISTIC
- 18 BUT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT OVER A PERIOD OF YEARS THAT THIS WILL
- 19 BE ACHIEVED, I ASSUME.

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21 SHERIFF LEE BACA: YES.

- 23 SUP. BURKE: SO THAT IT WILL BE ALLOCATED OVER A PERIOD OF
- 24 YEARS AND THEN, OVER THE FUTURE AFTER THAT, IT'S INSTITUTED
- 25 THERE WILL BE A CERTAIN AMOUNT ALLOCATED FOR MAINTENANCE, BUT



- 1 THIS ISN'T GOING TO BE SOMETHING THAT ISN'T EVERY YEAR THAT WE
- 2 SEE A SET AMOUNT OF MONEY.

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4 SHERIFF LEE BACA: YES, IT WOULD BE.

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6 SUP. BURKE: IT WOULD BE?

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- 8 SHERIFF LEE BACA: UNTIL THE PROJECT IS DONE. AND THEN, EVEN IF
- 9 WE DO PUT UP A SUPER INTEROPERABILITY SYSTEM, THE MAINTENANCE
- 10 ALONE, I CAN ASSURE YOU, WILL REQUIRE THAT CONTINUAL FUNDING.

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- 12 SUP. BURKE: I SEE. IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION OF THIS BEING
- 13 BONDED AND THAT THIS BE A SOURCE TO BE ALLOCATED OVER TIME?

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15 SHERIFF LEE BACA: I THINK YOU'RE WAY AHEAD OF US. GO AHEAD.

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- 17 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MADAM, MISS BURKE, IF I CAN JUST CORRECT, I
- 18 THINK, UNDER THE AMENDMENT I PROPOSED, IT IS UP TO 2%
- 19 ANNUALLY. IT PUTS A CAP ON IT BUT IT DOESN'T REQUIRE YOU TO
- 20 SPEND IT ON THAT, SO IT WOULD BE AN ANNUAL ALLOCATION PROCESS.

- 22 SUP. BURKE: BUT OBVIOUSLY, FROM EVERYTHING WE'VE HEARD
- 23 PREVIOUSLY, AND I CAN'T REMEMBER THE INITIALS OF THE ONE, NOT
- 24 C.C.J.C., IT'S ANOTHER INITIAL-- OF THE PEOPLE WHO WORK ON THE
- 25 TECHNOLOGY, WHAT IS IT? ACTUALLY COMING UP WITH THE WHOLE



- 1 TECHNOLOGY BACKGROUND AND IDENTIFY THE SYSTEMS. BUT IT'S GOING
- 2 TO BE MORE THAN-- YOU SAY OVER THAT 2%?

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4 SHERIFF LEE BACA: OH, DEFINITELY.

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- 6 SUP. BURKE: SO SOMETHING IS GOING TO HAVE TO BE WORKED OUT SO
- 7 WE ALL UNDERSTAND HOW THIS IS GOING TO HAPPEN BECAUSE THESE
- 8 SYSTEMS ARE JUST MEGA, AND IS THIS GOING TO BE, LIKE, A
- 9 DEDICATED CHANNEL THAT WILL BE SET ASIDE?

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- 11 SHERIFF LEE BACA: THE HOPE WOULD BE THAT THAT'S THE CASE. SO,
- 12 FOR EXAMPLE, IF WE DID COLLECT THE MAXIMUM 2% ONE YEAR, DIDN'T
- 13 SPEND IT BUT BANKED IT, WE COULD EVENTUALLY, IN TIME, OVER A
- 14 PERIOD OF YEARS HAVE A SUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF MONEY TO ACTUALLY
- 15 KICK START A LARGER EXPENDITURE.

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- 17 SUP. BURKE: I SEE. SO YOU MIGHT JUST BANK THE MONEY AND THEN
- 18 USE IT IN THE FUTURE YEARS?

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20 SHERIFF LEE BACA: THAT'S AN OPTION.

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22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY, YES, ZEV?

- 24 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: OR YOU COULD BOND AGAINST IT, TOO, WHICH IS
- 25 MORE OF A PAY AS YOU-- ALMOST LIKE A PAY-- BETTER THAN A BOND.



- I WANT TO SPEAK TO MS. MOLINA'S SUGGESTIONS AND DIRECTION. I
- 2 THINK THAT THE DISCUSSION BETWEEN HER AND THE GENTLEMAN WHOSE
- 3 NAME I FORGOT WHO WAS EARLY ON IN THE -- REPRESENTING THE
- 4 CONTRACTS, THE LAKEWOOD GENTLEMAN, WAS INSTRUCTIVE. AND I
- 5 THINK THERE'S A WAY TO DO THIS AND, ACTUALLY, AND I THINK THIS
- 6 IS WHERE YOU WERE LEADING TO, EVEN IF YOU DIDN'T SAY IT QUITE
- 7 THIS WAY. I THINK THERE'S A WAY TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE--
- 8 ACTUALLY, I THINK YOU DID SAY IT THIS WAY, SOME OF THE
- 9 INEQUITIES THAT WE ARE EXPERIENCING ON, YOU KNOW, WHAT SOME OF
- 10 US PERCEIVE TO BE-- AND I DON'T WANT-- SOME OF US PERCEIVE TO
- 11 BE A SUBSIDY OR SOME OTHER TERM, THAT THERE'S A WAY TO ADDRESS
- 12 THAT WITH NOT NECESSARILY GOING THROUGH THE CONTRACT
- 13 RENEGOTIATION PROCESS, ALTHOUGH I THINK WE SHOULD DEFINITELY
- 14 GO THROUGH THAT, TOO. THERE'S A WAY TO DO IT NOW WHICH WOULD
- 15 BE FAR LESS PAINFUL OR, ACTUALLY, WOULD BE PAINLESS FOR
- 16 EVERYONE INVOLVED AND I GOT THAT FROM THE BODY LANGUAGE OF THE
- 17 GUY FROM LAKEWOOD AND I THINK-- WHAT I'D LIKE TO SUGGEST IS
- 18 JUST, FOR THE SAKE OF DISCUSSION, AND I HAVEN'T THOUGHT IT
- 19 THROUGH OTHER THAN ON MY LITTLE RED PEN HERE, IS WE HAVE SET
- 20 ASIDE 5% FOR YOU FOR CUSTODY. THE WAY YOU WROTE IT IN YOUR
- 21 ORIGINAL INITIATIVE, IT WAS FOR COUNTYWIDE SERVICES. WE
- 22 NARROWED IT DOWN TO CUSTODY SO THAT IT WOULDN'T BE FRITTERED
- 23 AWAY ON-- OR THAT OUR TIME WOULDN'T BE FRITTERED AWAY ON
- 24 DEBATES IN YEARS AHEAD BUT MAYBE WHAT WE OUGHT TO DO, AND THE
- 25 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HAS MADE IT A CASE FOR HIMSELF AND I THINK



- 1 ALL THE LAW ENFORCEMENT PEOPLE, INCLUDING YOURSELF, SHERIFF,
- 2 HAVE CONCURRED WITH THAT, AND I CONCUR WITH THAT, I THINK WE
- 3 ALSO NEED TO, YOU KNOW, NOT TO BEAT THIS TO DEATH, BUT YOU
- 4 ALSO GOT TO DEAL WITH THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND THE ALTERNATE
- 5 PUBLIC DEFENDER, WHICH IS A MUCH SMALLER PIECE OF THIS TO MAKE
- 6 IT COMPLETE. SO I, JUST FOR THE SAKE OF DISCUSSION, INSTEAD OF
- 7 5%, OFF THE TOP, HE TOOK 15% OFF THE TOP, HE GAVE 9% TO THE
- 8 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR CUSTODY AND WE COULD SPECIFY WHAT
- 9 OTHER KINDS OF COUNTYWIDE SERVICES, I DON'T WANT-- I DON'T
- 10 KNOW IT WELL ENOUGH TO KNOW WHAT THEY MIGHT BE BUT, WHATEVER
- 11 IT IS THAT'S ALWAYS IN DISPUTE. 9% OF 500 MILLION, WHICH IS
- 12 THE ANTICIPATED CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE OF WHAT THE HALF CENT
- 13 WOULD YIELD, IS 45 MILLION. THAT'S TWICE AS MUCH AS THE 10%
- 14 THAT MS. MOLINA REFERENCED AND THAT, I THINK, ANYBODY ON OUR
- 15 SIDE OF THE ARGUMENT ON THE CONTRACT CITIES WOULD HAVE BEEN
- 16 HAPPY TO GET 10%, AND IT WOULD HAVE BEEN HARD FOR SOME OF OUR
- 17 CITIES TO COME UP WITH 10%, BUT, ANYWAY, THAT WOULD BE TWICE
- 18 AS MUCH AS THAT. AND THEN, ON THE BALANCE, HAVE THE DISTRICT
- 19 ATTORNEY AND THE ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER-- THE DISTRICT
- 20 ATTORNEY WITH 4% AND THE P.D. AND A.P.D., PUBLIC DEFENDER AND
- 21 ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, TWO PERCENT TOGETHER, AND WE'D
- 22 FIGURE THAT OUT. THEIR BUDGETS ARE FAR LESS AND I THINK WE
- 23 COULD FIGURE THAT OUT. I'M JUST-- I THROW THAT OUT JUST AS--
- 24 JUST BECAUSE I THINK, IN LIGHT OF THE TIME CONSTRAINTS WE HAVE
- 25 ON THIS, THAT IF WE'RE GOING TO PUT THIS OVER A WEEK FOR



- 1 FURTHER RUMINATION AND DISCUSSION, THAT THIS IS A DIRECTION
- 2 WHICH I THINK MS. MOLINA'S COMMENTS AND CONVERSATION WITH THE
- 3 LAKEWOOD REPRESENTATIVE KIND OF GOT MY THINKING GOING AND I
- 4 THINK IT'S AN APPROACH. IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE THAT, BUT IT'S
- 5 AN APPROACH, AND THE OBJECTIVE HERE WOULD BE TO GET-- RATHER
- 6 THAN TO TAKE IT OUT OF THEIR HIDE, IN ZERO SUM GAME, SINCE THE
- 7 PIE COULD CONCEIVABLY BE GROWING HERE IF THE PEOPLE APPROVE
- 8 SOMETHING LIKE THIS IF WE PUT IT ON THE BALLOT, THAT WE COULD
- 9 DO THIS IN A PAINLESS WAY THAT WOULD STILL BE 85%, LEAVING
- 10 ASIDE THE INTEROPERABILITY, 83% OF ALL THE MONEY RAISED WOULD
- 11 GO TO THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OR UNINCORPORATED
- 12 AREAS, HOWEVER WE'RE GOING TO DEAL WITH THE UNINCORPORATED
- 13 AREAS ISSUE. BUT ON THE JAILS, WHICH I THINK ARE A CRITICAL
- 14 ISSUE FOR YOU, AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH THAT ONE
- 15 WAY OR THE OTHER, WHETHER WE LIKE IT OR WHETHER THE FEDERAL
- 16 GOVERNMENT COMES IN AND MAKES US DO IT, AND I HOPE WE DO IT
- 17 THE FIRST WAY, AND I THINK YOU DO, TOO, THIS IS A WAY TO
- 18 ADDRESS SOME OF THAT IN A MORE COMPREHENSIVE WAY AND GET AT
- 19 WHAT MS. MOLINA AND I HAVE BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT AND OTHERS
- 20 HAVE BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT FOR AWHILE, ABOUT HOW DO WE KEEP THE
- 21 BLEEDING FROM-- STOP THE BLEEDING OFF OF THE UNINCORPORATED
- 22 AREAS IN THE GENERAL FUND OF OUR COUNTY WHILE WE HAVE THESE
- 23 CONTRACTS WITH THE CONTRACT CITIES. THIS IS A WAY TO DO IT IN
- 24 A WAY THAT I THINK IS A WIN/WIN FOR EVERYBODY. SO I'D LIKE TO



1 THROW THAT OUT FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES, AND I DON'T KNOW HOW

2 WE'RE GOING TO...

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4 SHERIFF LEE BACA: MAY I RESPOND TO YOU?

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6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YEAH, GO AHEAD.

- 8 SHERIFF LEE BACA: I THINK THAT MY INSTRUCTIONS TO YOU WOULD BE
- 9 THIS. OBVIOUSLY, I DIDN'T DO IT WITH THE SIGNATURE PROCESS,
- 10 YOU KNOW, EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE 173,000 SIGNATURES. SO THE
- 11 INITIATIVE THEN FALLS TO THE BOARD TO PUT ON THE BALLOT. THUS,
- 12 THE BOARD HAS TO HAVE A SENSE OF CREATING THIS INITIATIVE TO
- 13 THE LEVEL OF EQUITY THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS DESCRIBING.
- 14 BOLDLY SPEAKING, NO CITY, INCLUDING OURSELVES AS A COUNTY, HAS
- 15 A LOT OF MONEY FOR ANYTHING. AT THE SAME TIME, THIS IS ALL NEW
- 16 MONEY AND IT'S ALL GOING TO THE SAME PURPOSE, AS I'VE HEARD
- 17 BOTH OF YOU SAY. IF YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE THE APPROPRIATE
- 18 ADJUSTMENT, I THINK, WHEN THE DAY IS DONE, THE STUDY OF THE
- 19 CONTRACT RATES WILL SHOW THAT THERE IS A LOT OF THINGS THERE
- 20 THAT SOUND LIKE THEY'RE EASILY PULLED UP IN TRANSFERRING OF
- 21 MONEY TO PAY FOR BUT THEY'RE NOT AS EASY TO DO. THAT'S GOING
- 22 TO TAKE A LOT OF PROCESS, AS SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS SAYING. THE
- 23 CITY ATTORNEY IS NOT HERE, BUT LET ME SAY THIS. HE SHOULD HAVE
- 24 BEEN HERE AND I ASKED HIM TO COME HERE BUT I'M GOING TO SAY A
- 25 POSITIVE THING. YOU CAN'T HAVE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE



- 1 NEIGHBORHOODS OF ANY CITY IN THIS COUNTY IF THEY'RE NOT ABLE,
- 2 AS POLICE AND THE SYSTEM, IS NOT ABLE TO KEEP SOME OF THESE
- 3 NUISANCE TYPE OFFENDERS OFF THE STREETS FOR AT LEAST 10 OR 15
- 4 OR 20 OR 30 DAYS AND THEN AT LEAST I HAVE ENOUGH SENSE TO HAVE
- 5 RECOVERY PROGRAMS FOR DRUG ADDICTS AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
- 6 OFFENDERS AND OTHERS STILL HANGING ON WITH INMATE WELFARE
- 7 FUND. I THINK THAT IT'S NOT UNREASONABLE TO ASK FOR A
- 8 COUNTYWIDE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF 15%. THE ONLY REASON WE PUT 5% IN
- 9 THERE AT THE FRONT END OF THIS WAS TO GET THE DISCUSSION GOING
- 10 THAT THIS MONEY WOULD BE, IN FACT, A PUBLIC SAFETY MUNICIPAL
- 11 EFFORT WITH 8.8 MILLION PEOPLE POLICED OUT OF 45-- WELL, 88
- 12 CITIES. AND I WAS BEING PRESUMPTIVE THAT THE AMOUNT WAS
- 13 ENOUGH. BUT, CLEARLY, IT'S NOT ENOUGH, AND I KNOW THAT AND YOU
- 14 KNOW THAT, BUT THIS IS NOW WE ASKING YOU TO TAKE YOUR FIVE
- 15 VOTES. NOW, YOU ARE FIVE PEOPLE WHO REPRESENT THE WHOLE 10
- 16 MILLION PEOPLE, AND IT'S UP TO YOU TO DECIDE, LISTEN, 15% FOR
- 17 COUNTYWIDE OBLIGATIONS THAT AFFECT ALL THE 10 MILLION PEOPLE.
- 18 YOU KNOW, THIS ISN'T ABOUT TRYING TO BE STINGY WITH THIS MONEY
- 19 AND SAYING, RUN OFF WITH YOUR OWN AMOUNT AT THE 95% LEVEL;
- 20 THIS IS SAYING, WAIT A MINUTE. WHAT YOU DO IN THE CITY OF
- 21 LAKEWOOD OR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IS GOING TO INCUR
- 22 ADDITIONAL JUSTICE COSTS IN THE COURT, IT'S GOING TO OCCUR IN
- 23 THE DEFENSE OF DEFENDANTS, IT'S GOING TO OCCUR IN THE JAILING
- 24 OF THOSE DEFENDANTS AND ON AND ON. I DON'T THINK ANYONE HERE
- 25 WHO COMES WITH AN EMPTY POCKET SHOULD ARGUE WITH YOU AS TO



- 1 WHETHER OR NOT THEY'RE GETTING 85 CENTS OR 95 CENTS. WE HAVE
- 2 AN EMPTY POCKET. WE'RE HERE ASKING FOR YOU TO WORK THIS
- 3 THROUGH YOUR LEVEL. YOU'RE THE ONES THAT WILL BE HELD
- 4 ACCOUNTABLE IF THE PERCENT WAS NOT ENOUGH AND I THINK YOU HAVE
- 5 TO SEIZE THE MOMENT.

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- 7 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I JUST THINK THAT IT'S-- I MEAN, WE COULD
- 8 SPEND THE WHOLE HALF CENT ON THE...

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10 SHERIFF LEE BACA: THAT'S FOR SURE.

- 12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ...ON THE COUNTYWIDE-- YOUR JAIL BUDGET IS
- 13 ALMOST AS HIGH AS YOUR PATROL BUDGET. AND IT'S-- YOU KNOW, SO
- 14 IT'S-- IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE NOT MAKING AN INVESTMENT OR THAT
- 15 WE'RE NOT COLLECTIVELY MAKING AN INVESTMENT IN THAT. IT'S JUST
- 16 THAT WE'VE RUN UP AGAINST A CEILING AND NOW WE'RE TRYING TO
- 17 RAISE THE CEILING A LITTLE BIT THROUGH THIS. AND I THINK THAT
- 18 WHAT COULD COME OUT OF THIS APPROACH IS TO ENSURE THAT THIS
- 19 DOES WHAT WE SAY WE WANT IT TO DO AND THAT YOU SAY IT WANTED
- 20 IT TO DO WHILE AT THE SAME TIME ADDRESSING AN INEQUITY THAT
- 21 SOME OF US AGREE IS AN INEQUITY SOME OF US DON'T, AND THAT'S
- 22 FAIR ENOUGH, BUT A LOT HARDER TO ADDRESS THAT WHEN IT'S A ZERO
- 23 SUM GAME THAN IT IS WHEN YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET
- 24 EVERYBODY TO BUY IN, AND I WOULD IMAGINE YOU GET THE CONTRACT
- 25 CITIES TO BUY IN ON SOMETHING LIKE THIS RELATIVELY, CERTAINLY



- 1 RELATIVELY EASIER THAN IF YOU DID IT IN A CONTRACT NEGOTIATION
- 2 AND THEY WERE FORCED TO COME UP WITH MONEY OUT OF THEIR
- 3 STRAPPED BUDGETS.

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5 SHERIFF LEE BACA: I TOTALLY AGREE.

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- 7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YEAH, BUT, I MEAN, THAT'S WHAT THE PROCESS
- 8 HAS TO BE FAIR THERE, THOUGH. I MEAN, YOU CAN'T...

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10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ABSOLUTELY.

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- 12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ...YOU CAN'T TAKE THEIR MONEY HERE AND ASK
- 13 THEM TO TAKE THEIR MONEY HERE AND THEN TO CONTINUE TO COME
- 14 BACK AND SMACK THEM AND TAKE-- AND CHARGE THEM MORE.

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- 16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I AGREE THAT IT HAS TO BE FAIR, AND I DON'T
- 17 THINK ANYBODY'S TRYING TO BE UNFAIR. AND...

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- 19 SHERIFF LEE BACA: I THINK YOU'RE SAYING THE SAME THING. I
- 20 THINK SUPERVISOR MOLINA ALLUDED TO IT, THAT, TO DEAL WITH A
- 21 RATE OF ADJUSTMENT IS GOING TO TAKE TIME AND A LOT OF BACK AND
- 22 FORTH. THIS IS, IN EFFECT, A RATE ADJUSTMENT WITHOUT GOING
- 23 THROUGH ALL THE HOOPS.



- 1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THAT WOULD BE ONE WAY TO LOOK AT IT AND IT
- 2 DESERVES A WEEK'S WORTH OF LOOKING INTO AND SO I...

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MORE THAN A WEEK.

- 6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ...AS I-- WE DON'T HAVE THAT MUCH TIME BUT,
- 7 WHATEVER IT IS, WE HAVE -- I WANT TO THROW THAT CONCEPT, THE
- 8 15% CONCEPT, OUT FOR EVALUATION AND ANY PERMUTATION OFF OF
- 9 THAT THAT ANYBODY WANTS TO DO. BUT I JUST WANTED TO GET THAT
- 10 OUT ON THE TABLE SO THAT WE COULD GET SOME REACTION AS YOU OR
- 11 THE C.A.O. OR WHOEVER, ALL OF US WHO ARE GOING TO BE WORKING
- 12 ON THIS FOR THE NEXT-- IN THE DAYS AHEAD, THAT, AS WE TALK TO
- 13 CITIES, THAT THEY HAVE A SENSE OF THE ORDER OF MAGNITUDE OF
- 14 WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. I WOULD IMAGINE THIS WOULD NOT GIVE
- 15 ANYBODY ANY HEARTBURN AND IT'S IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF PUBLIC
- 16 SAFETY THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. THE CONTRACT CITIES GET A HUGE
- 17 AMOUNT, AS THE LAKEWOOD SITUATION. I MEAN, IT'S A SIGNIFICANT,
- 18 AND I'M SURE IT'S THE SAME IN MANY OF THE CITIES IN THE
- 19 COUNTY, A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THEIR LAW ENFORCEMENT
- 20 BUDGET. AT THE SAME TIME, YOU'RE MADE WHOLE OR SOMEWHAT WHOLE
- 21 FOR WHAT YOU NEED AND THE OTHER-- THE PROSECUTORIAL AND THE
- 22 PUBLIC DEFENDER PIECE ARE NOT IGNORED. I THINK IT'S-- LOOK,
- 23 WE'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO MAKE THIS FAIR AND
- 24 EQUITABLE AND, AT THE SAME TIME, EFFECTIVE, AND I THINK THAT'S
- 25 A DIRECTION I'M-- I THINK MS. MOLINA'S DIRECTION ON THIS IS



- 1 VERY CONSTRUCTIVE AND INGENIOUS AND I THINK IT DESERVES TO BE
- 2 FLUSHED OUT. YEAH, I SAID INGENIOUS. WE DIDN'T SAY UN-GENIUS.
- 3 I DIDN'T CALL HER A GENIUS. THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK.

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5 SUP. BURKE: I DO THINK THAT WE NEED TO BRING IN...

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7 SUP. MOLINA: I'M GOING WITH IT!

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- 9 SUP. BURKE: I DO THINK THAT WE NEED TO BRING IN ALL OF THESE
- 10 ENTITIES THAT ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTED BY THE CHANGE IN THE
- 11 SCHEDULE AND THIS WOULD NOT IMPACT, THEN, THE CITY OF LOS
- 12 ANGELES, FOR INSTANCE, RIGHT?

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14 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YEAH, IT WOULD.

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16 SUP. MOLINA: IT WOULD.

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- 18 SUP. BURKE: WELL, IF IT-- AS SOON AS YOU DO THAT, I THINK
- 19 THAT-- YOU HAD ALL THESE PEOPLE HERE TODAY PRAISING THIS WHOLE
- 20 MEASURE AND I BELIEVE THE CITY THOUGHT THEY WERE GETTING \$167
- 21 MILLION. WHEN YOU REDUCE THEIR AMOUNT, AND IF YOU'RE GOING
- 22 FROM...

- 24 C.A.O. JANSSEN: 16 MILLION WAS WHAT THE REDUCTION-- IF IT'S
- 25 THAT PERCENT, IT WOULD BE...

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THAT'S WHAT IT WOULD BE. 2 3 C.A.O. JANSSEN: IT WOULD GO FROM 167 TO 151. 4 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: TO 151. 6 7 8 SUP. BURKE: MAY I JUST SUGGEST A PROCESS? I DO THINK THAT IF WE'RE-- RIGHT, IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE CHANGE IN FORMULA, IT 9 WOULD BE GOOD IF WE COULD GET THE CONTRACT CITIES AND ALSO GET 10 SOME OF THE MAJOR CITIES WHO ARE GOING TO TAKE SOME CHANGE IN 11 TERMS OF THE AMOUNT THAT THEY HAD EXPECTED WHEN THEY CAME HERE 12 TO TESTIFY TODAY, THAT WE HAVE SOME REPRESENTATIVE GROUP THAT 13 COMES TOGETHER TO DISCUSS THESE CHANGES SO WE DON'T HAVE TO GO 14

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19 SHERIFF LEE BACA: YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT IN THAT SUGGESTION.

THROUGH THIS IN A DIFFERENT WAY NEXT WEEK. NOW, I MEAN,

BECAUSE I SUSPECT THEY'VE ALL SPENT THE MONEY BEFORE THEY GET

- 20 LET ME SAY THIS, HOWEVER. YOU KNOW, WHEN I STARTED THIS, THERE
- 21 WASN'T A LOT OF CONSENSUS ABOUT ANYTHING OTHER THAN "HELL NO".
- 22 AND WE ARE AT A HISTORIC BREAKPOINT HERE, SUPERVISOR, AND THAT
- 23 IS I'VE KIND OF MITIGATED IN THE INITIATIVE THE COUNTY'S REAL
- 24 STAKE IN THIS BY THE 5% AND I THINK THE THEORY, THEN, WAS MORE
- 25 COPS ON THE STREET, MORE RESOURCES ON THE FRONT LINE. THAT WAS



- 1 THE PRINCIPLE THAT I USED AND IT'S STILL AN 85% PRINCIPLE
- 2 VALIDATION, MEANING THAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT...

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4 SUP. MOLINA: MS. BURKE.

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- 6 SHERIFF LEE BACA: THANK YOU. WE'RE LOOKING AT COMPROMISE AND
- 7 WE'RE LOOKING AT BOARD AUTHORITY AT THE SAME TIME. THERE'S A
- 8 REASON WHY THERE IS A COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I KNOW
- 9 THAT. AND WHAT WE'RE SAYING NOW IS, IF YOU'RE THE ONLY
- 10 GATEWAY, AND YOU ARE, YOUR VOTE IS THE ONLY GATEWAY TO GETTING
- 11 THIS ON THE BALLOT, AND YOU'RE SAYING THAT "BUT I HAVE COUNTY
- 12 OBLIGATIONS FOR THE WHOLE OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM",
- 13 THEN ANY OF US THAT ARE WORKING IN THAT SYSTEM IS GOING TO BE
- 14 REAL HARD-PRESSED TO SAY TO YOU, AS WE'RE BEGGING YOU TO PUT
- 15 THIS ON THE BALLOT, PUT IT ON MY WAY AND THAT'S THE ONLY WAY.
- 16 I DON'T THINK SO. I THINK THE WAY HAS TO BE TO HAVE FOUR
- 17 VOTES, AND EVEN SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, ONE OF THE STRONGEST
- 18 SUPPORTERS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, SUGGESTED TO ME, HE DIDN'T SEE
- 19 ENOUGH FOR THE COUNTY IN THERE. I MEAN, HE SAID IT BLUNTLY. SO
- 20 I THINK YOUR THOUGHTS ABOUT INCLUSION IS CORRECT BUT, WHEN THE
- 21 DAY IS DONE, WE ARE ALL COMING HERE ASKING YOU TO PUT IT ON
- 22 THE BALLOT AND THUS YOU CAN OPT TO SAY, AS LONG AS MY
- 23 COUNTYWIDE OBLIGATION IS SUFFICIENTLY EQUITABLE THAT I SEE IT.
- 24 I CAN SAY TO YOU NOW, 5% WAS VERY SMALL.



- 1 SUP. BURKE: THAT'S TRUE. IN THE DOLLARS, IT WAS VERY SMALL
- 2 CONSIDERING THE CUSTODY ISSUES...

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4 SHERIFF LEE BACA: CONSIDERING THE WHOLE.

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- 6 SUP. BURKE: ...AND SOME OF THE OTHER ISSUES THAT YOU HAVE TO
- 7 TAKE ON AND WHAT I WONDER ABOUT, WHEN HOMELAND SECURITY, WHEN
- 8 IT RISES UP, IT'S GOING TO MEAN THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE A
- 9 GREATER IMPACT AND A GREATER AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT'S GOING TO
- 10 BE DEMANDED FROM THE WHOLE. SO THERE ARE TWO THINGS I THINK
- 11 HAVE TO HAPPEN HERE. NUMBER ONE, I THINK THERE HAS TO BE SOME
- 12 CONSENSUS THROUGH THOSE ENTITIES WHO ARE SHARING IN THE MONEY
- 13 AND ALSO THERE HAS TO BE SOME FLEXIBILITY TO MEET CHANGES IN
- 14 TERMS OF DEMAND AND WHETHER IT'S THE HOMELAND SECURITY OR
- 15 WHATEVER IT IS, IT'S ALWAYS SOMETHING. IT'S TRAGEDIES, IT'S
- 16 CALAMITIES, CATASTROPHES, THERE ARE ALL KINDS OF THINGS THAT
- 17 HAPPEN THAT WE MAY HAVE TO LOOK AT THE COUNTYWIDE PERCENTAGE.
- 18 SO, TO THE DEGREE THERE COULD BE SOME FLEXIBILITY, I THINK
- 19 WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL.

- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I MEAN, I KNOW THAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT
- 22 BRINGING IT BACK IN A WEEK. I THINK THERE'S A LOT TO DO IN A
- 23 WEEK, PARTICULARLY SINCE YOU GOT A HOLIDAY, I DON'T THINK WE
- 24 START OUR MEETING NEXT WEEK UNTIL 1:00 BUT, I MEAN, THERE'S A
- 25 LOT OF ISSUES THAT HAVE TO BE ADDRESSED THERE, I MEAN, FROM



- 1 PROP 172, I MEAN... AGAIN, TO ME, IT'S NOT SIMPLY A MATTER,
- 2 AND IF YOU WERE TO MAKE ME VOTE TODAY, I'LL SAY "NO" TO THE
- 3 BALLOT BECAUSE IT'S NOT SIMPLY A MATTER OF PUTTING THIS ITEM
- 4 ON THE BALLOT. THE ISSUE IS HOW THESE DOLLARS ARE GOING TO BE
- 5 SPENT, THE ACCOUNTABILITY, THAT IT'S AN ENHANCEMENT, THAT IT'S
- 6 ABSOLUTE ENHANCEMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY
- 7 SERVICES. AND, YOU KNOW, WHEN I TALK ABOUT 172 AND PART OF
- 8 THIS BOARD, ACTUALLY, WHAT BOTHERED ME, WE RESTORED \$39
- 9 MILLION OF YOUR BUDGET, SHERIFF, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2004/'05,
- 10 19 MILLION WAS IN THE FORM OF ONE-TIME FUNDING FOR THE YEAR. I
- 11 MEAN, IN ESSENCE, WE WERE JUST SORT OF GIVING YOU BACK YOUR
- 12 PROP 172 MONEY.

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14 SHERIFF LEE BACA: INDEED.

16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY? AND THOSE OF US THAT GOT OUT IN FRONT

- 17 OF THAT PROPOSITION THAT WAS TO BE AN ENHANCEMENT OF LAW
- 18 ENFORCEMENT IS NO LONGER THAT WAY. AND SO, BEFORE I STAND OUT
- 19 THERE IN FRONT OF THE VOTERS AND SAY, "THIS IS A GREAT DEAL,
- 20 WE'RE GOING TO GET MORE SHERIFFS ON THE STREET, WE'RE GOING TO
- 21 BE ABLE TO CONTAIN OUR JAILS," HEY, IT BETTER NOT BE GOING OUT
- 22 THE BACK DOOR AND THAT'S THE PROTECTION WE NEED. AND I THINK
- 23 THERE WOULD BE A WILLINGNESS AND I THINK YOU HEARD IT TODAY
- 24 FROM ALL THE CITIES, INCLUDING THE CITY OF L.A. I MEAN, THEY
- 25 ALL-- SHOULD BE WILLING. THEY'LL BE GETTING A THIRD OF THE POT



- 1 OF THE MONEY TO BE ABLE TO WORK WITH US ON THIS PARTICULAR
- 2 SITUATION AND IF YOU, YOU KNOW, TIE IT INTO THE NEGOTIATIONS
- 3 OR NON-NEGOTIATIONS, BUT IT MIGHT BE A FAIR WAY, AT LEAST FROM
- 4 A CONTRACT CITY'S STANDPOINT, TO WORK WITH US AS WELL, TOO. SO
- 5 I DON'T KNOW THAT YOU CAN DO THIS ALL IN A WEEK, ZEV, BUT
- 6 BE...

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8 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MAYBE TWO WEEKS?

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10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: TWO WEEKS?

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- 12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT I WOULD ASK, MR. CHAIRMAN, IS, IF WE
- 13 DO, AND I AGREE, I MEAN, THIS WEEK IS GOING TO BE A
- 14 COMPLICATED WEEK BECAUSE OF THE THREE-DAY WEEKEND, IS THAT WE
- 15 GIVE SOME DIRECTION TO THE STAFF AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO
- 16 BEGIN TO PREPARE, EVEN IF IT'S A COUPLE OF OPTIONS, SO THAT,
- 17 WHEN WE HAVE IT IN TWO WEEKS, THAT WE CAN JUST TELL THEM TO
- 18 GO-- IF THERE IS CONSENSUS IN TWO WEEKS, THAT WE CAN TELL THEM
- 19 TO DO IT AND BE DONE WITH IT ON THE 20TH SO THAT WE DON'T
- 20 HAVE-- WE DON'T RUN UP AGAINST AN ABSENTEE PROBLEM, WHICH
- 21 WE...

- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WELL, I THINK, FROM A CONCEPTUAL
- 24 STANDPOINT, YOU CAN GIVE THAT DIRECTION. HOW SPECIFIC YOU GET,
- 25 I THINK, UNTIL WE GET OUR ARMS AROUND WHAT THAT DOLLAR POT MAY



- 1 BE, I MEAN, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO THE ISSUE THAT
- 2 SUPERVISOR BURKE RAISED AND OTHERS THAT WE GET THAT GROUP
- 3 TOGETHER, WHOEVER YOU'VE BEEN DEALING WITH, YOU KNOW, WHETHER
- 4 IT BE L.A. CITY, CONTRACT CITIES, INDEPENDENT CITIES, TO SEE
- 5 HOW THIS IS ALL COMING TOGETHER SO THAT THEY'RE AT LEAST AWARE
- 6 AND WE DON'T HIT THEM ON A TUESDAY WITH LANGUAGE THAT MAY BE
- 7 NEW TO THEM THAT THEY HAVEN'T SEEN. I MEAN, THE MORE INCLUSIVE
- 8 WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF GETTING IT TO THERE, THEN I THINK--
- 9 THEN WE HAVE A BETTER SHOT MAYBE OF LOOKING AT THE WHOLE
- 10 SITUATION, BUT, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE...

- 12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. CHAIRMAN, IF I COULD-- I DON'T DISAGREE
- 13 WITH ANYTHING YOU SAID. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THE STAFF
- 14 UNDERSTANDS. WHAT I WAS SUGGESTING, WE'RE NOT GOING TO COME TO
- 15 ANY CONSENSUS TODAY BUT AT LEAST WHAT WE GET BACK IN A COUPLE
- 16 OF WEEKS, IF THERE ARE A NUMBER OF OPTIONS OR TWO OR THREE
- 17 OPTIONS THAT ARE BEING TALKED ABOUT, THAT AT LEAST THE-- YOU
- 18 KNOW, THAT THOSE BE REFINED A BIT. FOR EXAMPLE, IF WE'RE
- 19 TALKING ABOUT JUST A HALF A CENT, PERIOD, NO MATCH, THAT'S ONE
- 20 OPTION. IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT SOMETHING WITH A MATCH, THAT'S
- 21 A DIFFERENT OPTION. IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT-- IF IT CAME DOWN
- 22 TO A QUARTER CENT, AND I HAVEN'T HEARD ANYBODY RAISE THAT
- 23 AMONG US, BUT IF IT CAME DOWN A QUARTER CENT, THAT SHOULDN'T
- 24 BE A PROBLEM, YOU JUST CHANGE THE NUMBER, SO THAT, BY THE TIME
- 25 THE 20TH ROLLED AROUND, IF THERE'S A SENSE-- THAT MAY BE OUR



- 1 LAST OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE ON THE ACTUAL BALLOT LANGUAGE, TITLE,
- 2 AND ALL THAT SORT OF THING, AND I JUST DON'T WANT TO BE HERE
- 3 ON THE 20TH, HAVING REACHED A CONSENSUS, BUT THEN NOT HAVE THE
- 4 DOCUMENTS THAT WE NEED TO APPROVE TO MAKE IT HAPPEN. AND IT'S
- 5 JUST MORE OF A PROCESS THING. WE MAY NOT HAVE A CONSENSUS, IN
- 6 WHICH CASE NO HARM, NO FOUL, BUT AT LEAST LET'S NOT FAIL TO
- 7 GET IT ON FOR LACK OF PREPARATION. THAT'S ALL I WAS ASKING.

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- 9 SUP. BURKE: I WOULD LIKE TO BE VERY CLEAR THAT, IF THERE IS A
- 10 MATCH, THAT WOULD BE VERY UNCOMFORTABLE FOR ME BECAUSE I DON'T
- 11 KNOW WHETHER THERE'S MONEY TO MATCH IN SOME CASES.

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- 13 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WELL, YOU KNOW, I MEAN, I DIDN'T HEAR
- 14 ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE TODAY SUPPORT-- FROM THE CITIES
- 15 SUPPORT THE MATCH, AND THAT GIVES ME A GREAT DEAL OF CONCERN,
- 16 EVEN AT THE 50% LEVEL, WHICH I DIDN'T THINK WAS UNREASONABLE
- 17 ON THE PART OF MR. ANTONOVICH. BUT YOU HEARD FROM THE MAYOR OF
- 18 LOS ANGELES, THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT, AND SOME OF THE OTHER
- 19 SMALLER CITIES, AND I DON'T THINK YOU WANT TO GO TO A VOTE OF
- 20 THE PEOPLE WITH THE CITIES NOT SUPPORTING SOMETHING LIKE THIS.
- 21 THAT'S MY ONLY CONCERN AND I SHARE THAT RETICENCE.

- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NO, AND THAT MAY BE TRUE BUT, I MEAN, I
- 24 THINK, AGAIN, THE ISSUES WERE RAISED, TOO, OF THE REVIEW
- 25 PROCESS OR THE OVERSIGHT, I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY, YOU'VE GOT THE



- 1 CITY OF L.A. AND THE COUNTY OF L.A. INVOLVED, BUT, YOU KNOW,
- 2 MAYBE THE PRESIDENT OF LEAGUE OF CITIES OR, YOU KNOW,
- 3 INDEPENDENT CITIES OR CONTRACT CITIES CAN APPOINT A PERSON AS
- 4 WELL, TOO, BECAUSE EVERYBODY'S GOT A HAND IN IT. I STILL THINK
- 5 YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT THE REVIEW PERIOD OR POTENTIAL SUNSET
- 6 CLAUSE IF YOU'RE GOING TO GET INVOLVED IN THIS THING, JUST TO
- 7 SAY THAT THIS IS GOING TO GO ON FOREVER AND EVER. I MEAN,
- 8 THAT, YOU KNOW...

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10 SUP. BURKE: SUNSET, I WOULDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH SUNSET.

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- 12 SHERIFF LEE BACA: WELL, SUPERVISOR, IF I MAY, YOU AND I HAVE
- 13 BEEN IN AGREEMENT WITH ALL THE NEEDS THAT I'VE HAD AND YOU'VE
- 14 BEEN A VERY STAUNCH SUPPORTER BUT WE CAN'T BEEF UP 5,000 MORE
- 15 POLICE OFFICERS IN THE WHOLE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND PUT
- 16 PROGRAMS IN PLACE AND THEN SAY, 10 YEARS LATER, WE'RE GOING TO
- 17 TAKE IT AWAY. I MEAN, THE COUNTY IS JUST TOO BIG...

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- 19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: IT'S NOT A MATTER OF TAKING IT AWAY,
- 20 SHERIFF, IT'S A MATTER OF BEING-- THERE MAY BE OTHER
- 21 OPPORTUNITIES AT A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME.

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- 23 SHERIFF LEE BACA: I SEE, TO OFFSET THAT FUNDING WITH SOMETHING
- 24 ELSE.



- 1 SUP. BURKE: BUT ALSO, BUILT INTO A SALES TAX IS A VARIATION IN
- 2 TERMS OF THE AMOUNT OF MONEY YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE. I MEAN, YOU
- 3 SAY, TODAY, THAT YOU'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO COMMIT TO A
- 4 CERTAIN LEVEL OF LAW ENFORCEMENT BUT, WHEN YOUR SALES TAX
- 5 DROPS BECAUSE THERE'S A RECESSION, REALISTICALLY, YOU'RE GOING
- 6 TO HAVE TO REACT TO THAT. SO THERE'S NOT GOING TO EVER BE A
- 7 HUNDRED PERCENT GUARANTEE ON THIS MONEY.

- 9 SHERIFF LEE BACA: NO, YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. YOU KNOW, BACK
- 10 TO THE POINT THAT I'D LIKE TO IMPLORE YOU TO THINK OF, NOTHING
- 11 IS EVER PERFECT. THERE'S NOT GOING TO BE A PERFECT TAX,
- 12 THERE'S NOT GOING TO BE A PERFECT TAX IMPLEMENTATION PLAN, AND
- 13 THERE'S ALSO GOING TO BE AN ECONOMY THAT'S UNPREDICTABLE. WHAT
- 14 I'M PLEASED ABOUT TODAY IS THAT WE'RE HAVING A HEALTHY,
- 15 POSITIVE, INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION ON A VERY SENSITIVE SUBJECT
- 16 THAT EVERYBODY CARES ABOUT. AND WHAT I'M ASKING IS THAT I'M
- 17 NOT GOING TO GET A HUNDRED PERCENT OF WHAT I INITIALLY STARTED
- 18 OFF WITH IN THIS INITIATIVE, AND NO ONE OF THE FIVE OF YOU IS
- 19 GOING TO GET A HUNDRED PERCENT OF WHAT YOU PERHAPS THINK IS
- 20 APPROPRIATE FOR THIS INITIATIVE. BUT WHAT I'M LOOKING FOR IS
- 21 FOR EACH OF YOU TO VOICE YOUR CONCERNS FROM THE MOST PRACTICAL
- 22 POINT OF VIEW AND THAT IS, WHAT CAN WE SAY TO THE PEOPLE OF
- 23 THIS COUNTY THAT YOU'VE ALREADY HEARD SAID BY ELECTED
- 24 OFFICIALS WHO ARE PRETTY BRIGHT THEMSELVES? WE'VE GOT THIS
- 25 THING AT ABOUT THE 95% SHAPE THAT IT SHOULD BE IN. THE



- 1 VARIATION OF CHANGE IS GOING TO BE IN PERCENTS AS TO WHAT
- 2 COUNTYWIDE IS AND IS NOT. THE OVERSIGHT IS THERE. THE NON-
- 3 SUPPLANTATION THRESHOLD FOR THE '03/'04 BUDGET IS THERE. A LOT
- 4 OF THE ISSUES ARE ALREADY ADDRESSED BUT THE BIGGER ISSUE THAT
- 5 ISN'T RESOLVED HERE IS ARE WE GOING TO STAND UP AS A GROUP AND
- 6 PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT? IT HAS TO BE THERE'S A DESIRE ON OUR
- 7 PART TO DO THIS TO BEGIN WITH. I CERTAINLY DON'T LIKE ANY TAX
- 8 INCREASES ANY MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE DOES BUT I BELIEVE IN
- 9 BEING HONEST TO THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE PROBLEM OF PUBLIC SAFETY.
- 10 I BELIEVE IN BEING HONEST TO YOU ABOUT THE BAD NEWS THAT
- 11 HAPPENS IN THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S JAILS. I BELIEVE IN THE CANDOR
- 12 OF REALITY MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE AND WE HAVE TO HAVE THIS
- 13 KIND OF DIALOGUE OURSELVES AS WE'RE DOING AND I THANK YOU FOR
- 14 THIS. I MEAN, ALL OF YOU ARE INCREDIBLY INSIGHTFUL TO THE
- 15 ISSUES HERE BUT NONE OF US IS GOING TO GET IT OUR WAY A
- 16 HUNDRED PERCENT BUT WE DO HAVE TO GIVE SOMETHING TO THE
- 17 VOTERS, AND I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD DISADVANTAGE THE COUNTY AT
- 18 ALL IN THE PROCESS.

- 20 SUP. BURKE: I'M JUST GOING TO SAY ONE LAST THING IN THAT, YOU
- 21 KNOW, I HAVE BEEN SUPPORTIVE OF THIS CONCEPT FROM THE
- 22 BEGINNING. I'M NOT GOING TO SAY THAT I DON'T HAVE SOME
- 23 OUESTION ABOUT ELIMINATING, FOR THE FUTURE, YOUR ABILITY TO
- 24 LOOK AT SALES TAX FOR ANY OTHER PROBLEM THAT MAY COME UP. I
- 25 DON'T KNOW HOW DIFFICULT IT IS TO RAISE THE CAP AND HOW



- I REASONABLE IT IS THAT THERE'S A POTENTIAL TO RAISE IT IF THERE
- 2 IS A REAL CRISIS THAT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED. SO I DO THINK
- 3 THAT WE HAVE TO BE AWARE OF WHAT WE'RE DOING AND THAT WE'RE
- 4 FORECLOSING MANY-- OUR ABILITY.

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- 6 SHERIFF LEE BACA: NO, YOU HAVE RAISED AN EXCELLENT POINT,
- 7 SUPERVISOR, BUT I CHANGED THE LAW THROUGH SENATOR SCOTT AND,
- 8 BELIEVE ME, THE CHANGES HAVE FACILITATED FUTURE OPTIONS. AND
- 9 THUS IT'S THERE TO DO AGAIN IF SOMEONE ELSE WANTS TO DO IT.

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- 11 SUP. BURKE: BUT IT TAKES SOMETHING VERY DRAMATIC AND VERY
- 12 DIFFICULT TO RAISE THAT CAP.

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- 14 SHERIFF LEE BACA: IT'S LIFTED UP. YOU CAN DO IT TO 9%, IF YOU
- 15 CHOSE TO.

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17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. LET'S DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY. EASY.

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19 SUP. BURKE: OKAY. I'LL STOP TALKING ABOUT IT.

- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YOU KNOW? I MEAN, YEAH. I MEAN, BECAUSE
- 22 IT'S SIMPLY JUST NOT A MATTER OF PUTTING SOMETHING ON THE
- 23 BALLOT, BECAUSE THERE'S TWO DIFFERENT VOTES. ONE, IS THERE A
- 24 VOTE TO PUT IT ON THE BALLOT AND, TWO, IS THE VOTE TO SUPPORT
- 25 IT. THEY'RE NOT THE SAME VOTE.

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1 SHERIFF LEE BACA: NO, WE'RE JUST ASKING FOR YOU TO PUT IT... 2 3 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: TWO DIFFERENT VOTES. 4 5 SHERIFF LEE BACA: WE'RE JUST ASKING YOU TO PUT IT ON THE 6 7 BALLOT. 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: BECAUSE -- JUST BECAUSE YOU VOTE OR JUST 9 BECAUSE I WERE TO VOTE, IF I SHOULD SO, AT SOME POINT, VOTE TO 10 PUT IT ON THE BALLOT, IT DOESN'T MEAN I WOULD SUPPORT IT AND 11 THAT'S-- BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, WE ALL KNOW THAT'S WHAT MY CONCERN 12 IS, HOW THIS LANGUAGE IS TIGHTENED DOWN BECAUSE WHATEVER T.V. 13 ADS, WHATEVER MONIES YOU RAISED IN FAVOR OF THIS BALLOT 14 15 INITIATIVE, YOU KNOW, DEAD PEOPLE WILL BE ON THE SCREEN, 16 BULLETS WILL FLY, FIRES WILL FIGHT AND IT WILL ALL BE EMBELLISHED TO SCARE THE HELL OUT OF PEOPLE AND YOU'RE GOING 17 18 TO HAVE TO BE ABLE TO STAND UP TO THE FOLKS AND SAY THIS IS 19 WHAT'S REALLY GOING ON, THIS IS WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO GET FOR WHATEVER TAX YOU PAY. 20 21 SHERIFF LEE BACA: THAT'S VERY REASONABLE. I DON'T THINK ANYONE 22 23 HERE EXPECTS THAT YOU WOULD NECESSARILY RELINQUISH YOUR OWN

PERSPECTIVE IF IT WERE TO BE PUT ON THE BALLOT. AND THIS IS

TRUE OF PALMDALE AND LANCASTER, EVEN LAKEWOOD, WHO WE HEARD



- I FROM. THEY SUPPORT PUTTING IT ON THE BALLOT. NOT ALL OF THEM
- 2 SAY THEY'RE GOING TO VOTE FOR IT.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THAT'S RIGHT. OKAY. THANK YOU. SO WE'RE
- 5 GOING TO CONTINUE THE ITEM TWO WEEKS TO COME BACK?

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- 7 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: LET ME MAKE A SUGGESTION, TRY TO PASS A
- 8 MOTION. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE CONTINUE IT FOR TWO WEEKS TO
- 9 JULY THE 13TH, THAT WE ASK THE C.A.O., THE COUNTY COUNSEL, AND
- 10 THE SHERIFF TO WORK WITH THE SHERIFF'S COALITION OF PEOPLE TO
- 11 FERRET OUT, TRY TO DEVELOP A CONSENSUS ALONG THE LINES OF--
- 12 UTILIZING OF THE DISCUSSION TODAY TOWARDS THAT END, AND YOU
- 13 CAN CONTINUE TO CONSULT WITH US, EACH OF US AS YOU GO, TO TRY
- 14 TO DEVELOP SOMETHING THAT YOU CAN BRING BACK TO US OR A COUPLE
- 15 OF OPTIONS YOU CAN BRING BACK TO US BY THE 13TH THAT WOULD BE,
- 16 IF POSSIBLE, READY FOR PRIME TIME. I'M JUST CONCERNED THAT, IF
- 17 WE NEED TWO READINGS ON THIS, THAT WE'LL NEED JULY 13TH AND
- 18 JULY 20TH. GO AHEAD, RAY.

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20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OR AUGUST 2ND. OR AUGUST 2ND.

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22 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I MAY NOT BE HERE ON AUGUST 2ND.

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24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OH, GOOD. THEN WE CAN DO SEVERAL THINGS.



SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I TRY NOT TO GIVE YOU... [ LAUGHTER ]

- 3 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I'M STARTING TO LIKE THIS IDEA EVEN BETTER.
- 4 YOU'LL DEFINITELY HAVE MY INPUT-- I KNOW. [ LAUGHTER ]

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- 6 RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL: MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WITH
- 7 RESPECT TO THE DATES, I'VE HAD MY STAFF LOOKING AT ALL OF THE
- 8 STATUTES THAT APPLY TO THE ORDINANCE IN QUESTION HERE FOR THE
- 9 TAX AND WE BELIEVE THAT WE MAY BE ABLE TO CONCLUDE THAT THERE
- 10 IS ONLY ONE READING, THAT THE ORDINANCE CAN BE PASSED
- 11 IMMEDIATELY UPON ITS INTRODUCTION AS A STATUTORY TERM. SO, IF
- 12 WE CAN CONCLUDE THAT BOTH PIECES, THE CALL OF THE ELECTION AND
- 13 THE APPROVAL OF THE ORDINANCE, CAN BE DONE WITH JUST ONE
- 14 READING, THERE IS NOT A TWO-READING ORDINANCE.

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- 16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: DOES A ONE READING-- DO YOU NEED A UNANIMOUS
- 17 VOTE FOR ONE READING?

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19 RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL: NO, YOU DO NOT.

- 21 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ALL RIGHT. YEAH. I THINK-- THIS IS
- 22 DIFFERENT. YEAH. SO, FINE, IF THAT'S THE WAY IT WORKS OUT,
- 23 THAT'S GREAT, BUT I WOULD ASSUME, FOR THE SAKE OF OUR
- 24 PREPARATION, ASSUME YOU'RE GOING TO NEED TWO READINGS. IF YOU
- 25 DON'T, YOU JUST BOUGHT YOURSELF A WEEK, BUT I JUST DON'T WANT

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AS WELL FOR TWO WEEKS.

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TO BE SURPRISED, AND I APOLOGIZE FOR THIS BUT IT'S A
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    SCHEDULING THING THAT I DON'T...
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SOUNDS LIKE ANOTHER CROSS TO BEAR. [
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    LAUGHTER 1
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    SUP. BURKE: JUST AS LONG AS YOU DON'T HANG US FROM IT.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SO WE'RE GOING TO GO FOR THE 20TH,
    THEN? AND I THINK-- THERE ARE-- SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S MOTION
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    IS GOING TO BE CONTINUED, ALTHOUGH I DON'T THINK THERE'S
    SUPPORT AS IT RELATES TO THE MATCH PORTION OF YOUR MOTION.
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: PARDON ME? SORRY.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I SAID WE'RE CONTINUING-- WE HAVE TWO
    THINGS-- WE HAVE THREE THINGS ON THE AGENDA. ONE, WE HAVE S-1
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    TO CONTINUE, WE GOT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S MOTION AS IT
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    RELATES TO QUARTER CENT. THERE'S SOME ROOM FOR MANEUVERING
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    THERE BUT I DON'T-- I DIDN'T GET A CONSENSUS FROM THE BOARD
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    THAT THERE WOULD BE SUPPORT FOR THE MATCH PORTION OF HIS
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   MOTION, OKAY?
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SUP. ANTONOVICH: BUT I WOULD JUST MOVE THAT WE CONTINUE ITEM 2



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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THAT'S FINE. THAT'S FINE. BUT DID YOU...
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: AND THEN THE THIRD ITEM THAT WE STILL HAVE
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    LEFT, THEN, IS THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA HELD A...
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT DO I WANT TO SAY TO YOU? I'LL SAY IT
    PRIVATELY BUT...
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    SUP. MOLINA: I DON'T KNOW. YOU GUYS KEEP POINTING AT ME.
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I'M POINTING TO YOU-- I DIDN'T KNOW WHETHER
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    YOU WANTED TO RAISE ANY OTHER ISSUES RELATED TO THIS AS...
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    SUP. MOLINA: WELL, WE HAVE TWO WEEKS IN WHICH I CAN DO IT,
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    RIGHT?
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YES.
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    SUP. MOLINA: SO I DON'T THINK WE NEED TO NECESSARILY DO IT
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    NOW.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.
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1 2 SUP. MOLINA: BUT I DO HAVE OTHER ISSUES. I'M JUST NOT GOING TO 3 RAISE THEM RIGHT NOW. 4 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THAT'S FINE. 6 7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SO S-1 AND ITEM 2 WILL BE CONTINUED 8 FOR TWO WEEKS. 9 10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: CAN I ASK ONE LAST QUESTION? ON MY MOTION, 11 WHICH WAS REALLY TO AMEND... 12 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WELL, INCLUDING YOUR AMENDMENT. 14 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: CAN WE HAVE CONSENSUS THAT-- I DON'T-- THAT 15 16 AT LEAST THEY CAN WORK OFF OF THAT AMENDMENT, THAT I THINK EVERY-- THE SHERIFF IS OKAY WITH IT. JUST IN TERMS, IT'S MORE 17 18 TECHNICAL THAN IT IS POLICY, IT DOESN'T-- IT'S JUST MY

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23 SUP. MOLINA: AS LONG AS IT'S NOT LIMITED TO THOSE ISSUES.

FRAMEWORK, THAT YOU WOULDN'T HAVE...

AMENDING MOTION SO THAT, AT LEAST IN THAT RESPECT, WE COULD

UNDERSTAND THAT, IF WE DO GO THIS WAY, IT WOULD BE IN THAT

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25 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: IT'S NOT AT ALL. IT'S NOT AT ALL BUT...



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2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: IT'S ONE PART OF IT.

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- 4 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: IT'S ONE PART AND IT JUST ADDRESSES AT LEAST
- 5 SOME LIMITED CONSENSUS ON SOME PROCEDURAL THINGS LIKE THE
- 6 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS THE APPROPRIATING AGENCY AND NOT A
- 7 GROUP OF...

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- 9 SHERIFF LEE BACA: YEAH. THOSE AMENDMENT POINTS, LET ME SAY
- 10 THIS, WHAT CONCERNED THE CITY AND OTHERS, BUT PRIMARILY US IS
- 11 THAT THE OVERSIGHT FUNCTION SHOULD EXPAND ITSELF, OKAY? SO
- 12 THAT AMENDMENT IS APPROPRIATE. THE NEED TO HAVE...

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- 14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WELL, HIS DIDN'T INCLUDE THAT. I ADDED THE
- 15 LEAGUE OF CITIES AND THE CONTRACT CITIES.

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- 17 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: CONTRACT CITIES AND I ADDED THE CITY OF L.A.
- 18 AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YOU ADDED CITY OF L.A. AND CHAIRMAN OF THE
- 21 BOARD.

- 23 SHERIFF LEE BACA: YEAH. INCLUSIVENESS IS WHAT I HEARD THE
- 24 CHAIRMAN SPEAK OF AND I THINK THAT'S CRITICAL. AND THE OTHERS



- 1 ARE RELEVANT TO FINE TUNING THAT I ALLUDED TO, AND WE HAVE NO
- 2 OBJECTION TO THAT.

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- 4 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: SO I WOULD MOVE MY AMENDMENT, AND IT'S NOT
- 5 LIMITED, BUT IT'S JUST-- AND THEN CONTINUE THAT ALONG WITH
- 6 EVERYTHING.

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- 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTIONS, SO ORDERED. WE
- 9 HAVE ONE-- THANK YOU, SHERIFF.

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11 SHERIFF LEE BACA: THANK YOU, SIR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOU HELD ITEM 132. DO
- 14 YOU STILL WISH-- WE GOING TO MOVE FOR THAT? HUH?

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16 SUP. MOLINA: WE CAN GO AHEAD WITH THAT ONE.

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- 18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
- 19 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION-- PARDON ME?

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21 SUP. MOLINA: IS THAT CITY OF COMPTON?

- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NO. 132 IS THE CONTRACTS WITH THE 40
- 24 CONTRACT CITIES. MOVE IT. SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
- 25 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. WE HAVE ADJOURNMENTS YET. SUPERVISOR



- 1 ANTONOVICH GAVE HIS, SO, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY
- 2 ADJOURNMENTS?

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4 SUP. MOLINA: YES, I DO.

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6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.

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8 SUP. MOLINA: I HAVE TWO.

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10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: AND THEN WE'LL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

- 12 SUP. MOLINA: MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
- 13 MEMORY OF THE PICO RIVERA VETERAN'S COUNCIL PRESIDENT, DALE
- 14 SAMPSON. HE WAS A VIGOROUS AND SUCCESSFUL CHAMPION OF THE
- 15 PERMANENT PICO RIVERA VETERAN'S MONUMENT WHICH IS LIT ALL OF
- 16 THE TIME. AN ENTHUSIASTIC COMMUNITY AND VETERANS ACTIVIST,
- 17 DALE WAS AN AIR FORCE VETERAN WHO SERVED IN THE VIETNAM WAR.
- 18 HE WAS ELECTED FIVE CONSECUTIVE YEARS AS PRESIDENT OF THE PICO
- 19 RIVERA VETERAN'S COUNCIL AND IS ALSO A LONG-TIME MEMBER OF THE
- 20 AMERICAN LEGION, POST 341, IN PICO RIVERA. WE WANT TO EXTEND
- 21 OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO HIS WIFE, HIS CHILDREN, HIS
- 22 GRANDCHILDREN AND, OF COURSE, HIS COLLEAGUES AS WELL AT THE
- 23 VETERAN'S COUNCIL. I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY. I'D ALSO
- 24 LIKE TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CECILIA ROZALIA GRECU, WHO
- 25 RECENTLY PASSED AWAY IN A TRAGIC CAR ACCIDENT. CECILIA IS THE



- 1 WIFE OF OUR EAST AGENCY PARKS AND RECREATIONS CARPENTER PETER
- 2 GRECU AND WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES HE AND HIS
- 3 THE FAMILY.

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- 5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ALL MEMBERS ON THAT ONE, ALL MEMBERS. OKAY.
- 6 SUPERVISOR BURKE?

- 8 SUP. BURKE: I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN
- 9 MEMORY OF CLIFFORD HORN, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND
- 10 DISTRICT, AN OUTSTANDING MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY WHO PASSED
- 11 AWAY ON JUNE 19TH. FOR SEVERAL YEARS, HE WORKED AS A PARAMEDIC
- 12 AND POSTAL WORKER. HE SPENT THE MAJORITY OF HIS CAREER AS A
- 13 BUS OPERATOR AND LINE SUPERVISOR AT M.T.A. FOR 15 CONSECUTIVE
- 14 YEARS, HE RECEIVED THE COVETED SAFETY AWARD. HE RETIRED FROM
- 15 M.T.A. IN 1989 AFTER 25 YEARS OF SERVICE. MR. HORN IS SURVIVED
- 16 BY HIS WIFE OF 43 YEARS, EDNA, TWO DAUGHTERS, BONITA LYNN HORN
- 17 AND BEVERLY HORN SIMMONS, AND TWO GRANDSONS, RYAN CLIFFORD AND
- 18 JULIAN ROSS SIMMONS. REVEREND WILLIE B. SAMPSON. DR. WILLIE B.
- 19 SAMPSON PASSED AWAY JUNE 18TH. HE WAS THE CURRENT PASTOR OF
- 20 GREATER CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH. HE SERVED AS PASTOR OF THE
- 21 WORD OF GOD IN B.C. FROM 1970 TO 2000. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH
- 22 HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, ROSETTA, AND SONS, WILLY RAY AND LONNIE
- 23 SAMPSON. RAUL DELGADO, WHO WAS A 14-YEAR-OLD BOY WHO WAS SHOT
- 24 AND KILLED IN ANOTHER SENSELESS ACT OF GANG VIOLENCE ON JUNE
- 25 15TH. HE HAD JUST FINISHED PLAYING BASKETBALL WITH HIS FRIENDS



- 1 AT A LOCAL RECREATION CENTER. HE WAS NOT A GANG MEMBER. HE'S
- 2 SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, GREGORIO AND RAQUEL DELGADO AND HIS
- 3 BROTHER AND SISTER, ORILLII AND VIDENCIO DELGADO. GWAYNE
- 4 COLLINS, A RETIRED L.A. COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATOR.
- 5 GWAYNE JOINED THE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONS IN MAY, 1989 AFTER
- 6 SERVING MANY YEARS WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MARSHALS'
- 7 OFFICE. DURING THIS CAREER WITH THE DA'S OFFICE, GWAYNE WORKED
- 8 MANY ASSIGNMENTS, INCLUDING WELFARE FRAUD, SPECIAL
- 9 INVESTIGATIONS, MAJOR FRAUD AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION FRAUD.
- 10 IN JANUARY, 2000, HE WAS PROMOTED TO SUPERVISING INVESTIGATOR
- 11 AND CONTINUED TO SERVE IN THE FRAUD DIVISION UNTIL HIS
- 12 RETIREMENT IN MARCH 2001. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, PATSY
- 13 COLLINS AND TWO CHILDREN, TAMARA AND ERIKA COLLINS. DID ANYONE
- 14 ADJOURN FOR ROD ROOD?

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16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WHO?

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18 SUP. BURKE: OKAY. WE DID THAT ALREADY.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YES. OKAY. ZEV, DO YOU HAVE ANY
- 21 ADJOURNMENTS?

- 23 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I DO. MR. CHAIRMAN, I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
- 24 THE MEMORY OF SOL BOJARSKY, WHO WAS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF
- 25 OUR DISTRICT AND FRIEND OF MINE AND BARBARA'S AND MY OFFICE



- 1 WHO PASSED AWAY AT HIS HOME IN BEVERLY HILLS AT THE AGE OF 84
- 2 AFTER A LONG ILLNESS. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE AND DEDICATED MEMBER
- 3 OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY, A GREAT LOVER OF OPERA, A GRADUATE OF
- 4 U.C.L.A. AND A LOYAL BRUIN. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
- 5 SELENA, DAUGHTER, DONNA BOJARSKY, WHO I THINK WE ALL KNOW, AND
- 6 A GRANDSON, JOSHUA, TWIN BROTHER, ELI BOYER AND SISTER, SARAH
- 7 LETTERER.

- 9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I MOVE TODAY THAT WE ADJOURN IN
- 10 THE MEMORY OF ROBERT J. COFFEY, JR. MR. COFFEY PASSED AWAY ON
- 11 JUNE 11TH. HE WAS 54 YEARS OLD. HE IS THE HUSBAND OF DANA
- 12 COFFEY OF THE M.T.A., ONE OF OUR SECULAR MANAGERS. HE MOVED
- 13 FROM LITTLE ROCK TO CALIFORNIA AT AN EARLY AGE AND ATTENDED
- 14 WASHINGTON PREP HIGH SCHOOL. HE HONORABLY SERVED A TWO-YEAR
- 15 TERM IN THE ARMED FORCES AND WAS EMPLOYED WITH PAC BELL, WHERE
- 16 HE RETIRED AFTER 24 YEARS. HE LOVED HIS FAMILY AND THE SIMPLE
- 17 PLEASURES IN LIFE. HE WAS AN AVID SPORTS FAN AND HAD A PASSION
- 18 FOR MUSIC, JAZZ BEING HIS FAVORITE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
- 19 OF 32 YEARS, DANA, DAUGHTERS, DANA NICOLE, ROBIN ALEXIS, SON,
- 20 ROBERT, AND HIS BROTHER, DAVID. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
- 21 OF CORNELIUS BENJAMIN JENKINS, A RESIDENT OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS,
- 22 WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 57. HE WAS RAISED AND
- 23 EDUCATED IN LOS ANGELES AND WORKED FOR CITY OF LOS ANGELES
- 24 P.D. AS WELL AS DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER. HE WAS VERY
- 25 ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY, WORKED VERY ACTIVE IN THE MEALS ON



- 1 WHEELS PROGRAM, H.H.I.A. AND THE FIRST STEPS EARLY LITERACY
- 2 PROGRAM. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, DEBORAH, TWO SONS, HIS
- 3 FATHER, TWO SISTERS AND ONE BROTHER. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
- 4 THE MEMORY OF TODAY OF MADELEINE MARIE TRACY JOHNSTON, A
- 5 MEMBER OF A VERY PROMINENT FAMILY IN LONG BEACH WHO PASSED
- 6 AWAY ON JUNE 10TH. SHE WAS THE DAUGHTER OF EUGENE V. TRACY AND
- 7 KATHERINE TRACY, FORMER OWNERS OF THE TRACY AND LAUGHLIN
- 8 THEATERS IN DOWNTOWN LONG BEACH AND THE TRACY CAFE AT THE OLD
- 9 PICO NAVY LANDING. SHE GRADUATED FROM SAINT ANTHONY'S IN 1938
- 10 AND MARRIED JOHNNY JOHNSTON IN 1940. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER
- 11 CHILDREN AND A DEAR FRIEND, TRACY KITTINGER IS ONE OF THOSE
- 12 CHILDREN, 16 GRANDCHILDREN AND NINE GREAT- GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO
- 13 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MARILYN REECE, WHO PASSED
- 14 AWAY ON MAY 15TH. SHE LED A VERY PRODUCTIVE CAREER WORKING FOR
- 15 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND MOST RECENTLY WITH CALTRANS. SHE
- 16 WAS THE DESIGNER OF A THREE LEVEL INTERCHANGE OF THE SAN DIEGO
- 17 AND SANTA MONICA FREEWAYS, THE FIRST INTERCHANGE DESIGNED IN
- 18 CALIFORNIA BY A WOMAN ENGINEER. SHE WAS A RESIDENT OF HACIENDA
- 19 HEIGHTS AND IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, ALVIN, TWO DAUGHTERS,
- 20 A SISTER, AND TWO GRANDSONS. WE'D LIKE TO EXTEND OTHER
- 21 SYMPATHIES TO HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. FINALLY, THAT WE ADJOURN
- 22 IN THE MEMORY OF VERNON TUCKER, WHO WORKED FOR MCDONELL
- 23 DOUGLAS FOR 50 YEARS AS AN AVIATION ELECTRONICS EXPERT AND WAS
- 24 A 50 YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH OF HE WAS A MEMBER OF
- 25 THE NATIONAL SECURITY INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION, THE AIRCRAFT



- 1 PILOTS AND OWNERS ASSOCIATION, AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION OF OLD
- 2 CROWS AND HE'S THE FATHER OF HERMOSA BEACH COUNCIL MEMBER,
- 3 PETER TUCKER. SO ORDERED. THOSE ARE OUR ADJOURNMENTS AND,
- 4 PRIOR TO GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION, WE HAVE...

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- 6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAD ONE OTHER ONE THAT I
- 7 FORGOT TO BRING IN, AND THAT'S A LITTLE BLURB IN THE PAPER, IN
- 8 THE OBITUARY COLUMN THIS MORNING, NAOMI SCHIMMER, WHO IS ONE
- 9 OF THE GREAT-- ONE OF THE GREATEST SONGWRITERS OF ALL TIME
- 10 ANYWHERE, WROTE JUST ABOUT EVERY FAMOUS MODERN, IT'S PROBABLY
- 11 AN EXAGGERATION BUT NOT FAR OFF, ISRAELI SONG IN THE LAST 50
- 12 YEARS, JERUSALEM OF GOLD BEING ONE OF THEM AND MANY OTHERS,
- 13 PASSED AWAY AFTER A LENGTHY ILLNESS OVER THE WEEKEND AND WAS
- 14 BURIED AT HER BIRTHPLACE IN GALILEE, WHERE THE FUNERAL WAS
- 15 ATTENDED BY THE PRIME MINISTER AND PRESIDENT OF THE COUNTRY
- 16 AND A BUNCH OF OTHER LUMINARIES AS WELL AS ARTISTS. SHE WAS
- 17 THE RECIPIENT OF THE ISRAEL PRIZE, WHICH IS THE FOREMOST
- 18 CULTURAL PRIZE YOU CAN GET IN THAT COUNTRY, AND, IN THE JEWISH
- 19 COMMUNITY, ANY CHILD WHO HAS GONE TO HEBREW SCHOOL HAS LEARNED
- 20 TO SING MANY OF HER SONGS AND IT'S A REAL LOSS. SHE WAS 74
- 21 YEARS OLD AND I WANTED US TO ADJOURN IN HER MEMORY AND WE'LL
- 22 GIVE THE CERTIFICATE TO THE CONSUL-GENERAL FOR FORWARDING.
- 23 THANK YOU.

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SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SO ORDERED. CHRISTINA VASQUEZ, GUILLERMA 1 CUEVAS, I BELIEVE THESE FOLKS HAVE LEFT, THERESA BARRANCA. 2 3 OKAY. 4 5 CHRISTINA VAZQUEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. THE OTHER TWO WORKERS, THEY HAD TO LEAVE. I WAS HERE THIS MORNING WITH ABOUT 50 WORKERS... 6 7 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WOULD YOU IDENTIFY YOURSELF? 9 10 CHRISTINA VAZQUEZ: YES. MY NAME IS CHRISTINA VAZQUEZ, I'M THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR UNITE AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF LAUNDRY 11 WORKERS THAT ARE ON STRIKE TOMORROW. THEY WILL ENTER THEIR 12 SECOND WEEK AND WE WERE HERE LAST WEEK AND WE'RE HERE TO GIVE 13 YOU AN UPDATE. THE STRIKE CONTINUES. WE STILL ARE FIGHTING FOR 14 THE SAME ISSUES. THE COMPANY HAS NOT MOVED TO PROVIDE WORKERS 15 16 WITH A FAIR CONTRACT AND WHAT WE HAVE DISCOVERED SINCE LAST WEEK THAT WE WERE HERE IS THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, BY 17 18 FAR, IS THE LARGEST CUSTOMER OF BELLWOOD LAUNDRY 19 AND, THEREFORE, YOU KNOW, WE'RE HERE AGAIN TO URGE YOUR SUPPORT. IT'S NOT-- YOU KNOW, THOSE WORKERS HAVE BEEN 20 21 SUFFERING ENOUGH BY WORKING BASICALLY ONE YEAR WITHOUT A 22 CONTRACT AND NOW ENTERING THEIR SECOND WEEK ON THE STRIKE. 23 THERE IS A LOT OF SINGLE FAMILIES AND WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT THE COUNTY-- LAST WEEK, THEY TOLD US THAT THERE WAS 24

GOING TO BE A LETTER. WE HAVE NOT SEEN THE LETTER YET. SO WE



- 1 ARE HERE TO URGE YOUR SUPPORT, AND I THINK IT'S IN YOUR HANDS
- 2 THAT THIS STRIKE WILL BE OVER SOON SINCE YOU ARE THE LARGEST
- 3 CUSTOMER OF THIS LAUNDRY. NOW THEY'RE DOING THE WORK IN NON-
- 4 UNION SHOPS AND THEY HAVE USED A LOT OF STRIKE BREAKERS. THE
- 5 QUALITY IS NOT THE SAME. I THINK THERE'S A LOT OF PROBLEMS AT
- 6 THE HOSPITALS WITH THE QUALITY. THEREFORE, WE WOULD LIKE TO
- 7 SEE SOME RESULTS FROM THIS.

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- 9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. DEBRA WARD. ROBERTO CARBATAL,
- 10 AND LEE PARADISE. DEBRA, DO YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD, PLEASE?

- 12 DEBRA WARD: YES. GOOD AFTERNOON ONCE AGAIN TO THE
- 13 DISTINGUISHED BOARD. MY NAME IS DEBRA WARD, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF
- 14 THE COMMUNITY CLINIC ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND
- 15 I'M HERE TODAY TO COMMENT AND TO BRING TO THE BOARD A MAJOR
- 16 CONCERN FROM OUR CLINIC MEMBERS THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY OF THE
- 17 RECENT I.N.S. RAIDS AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ADDRESS
- 18 VERIFICATION POLICY THAT BEGINS THIS THURSDAY, JULY 1ST. WE
- 19 ARE RESPECTFULLY ASKING THE BOARD, REQUESTING THE BOARD TO
- 20 CONSIDER A DELAY IN IMPLEMENTING THE OUT OF COUNTY POLICY FOR
- 21 THE P.P.P. PROGRAMS. AS A RESULT OF THE I.N.S. RAIDS, THERE
- 22 HAS BEEN A SIGNIFICANT DROP IN VISITS AND PATIENT NO-SHOWS FOR
- 23 OUR CLINICS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, GOING FROM 20 TO 40%. WHEN
- 24 PEOPLE-- THESE I.N.S. RAIDS HAVE INFLICTED FEAR IN THE
- 25 COMMUNITY. THEY HAVE BROUGHT CONFUSION REGARDING RECEIVING



- 1 CARE. MANY OF THE RAIDS HAVE BEEN CLOSE TO THE CLINICS. MANY
- 2 OF THE STREETS HAVE BEEN BLOCKED. MANY STAFF MEMBERS HAVE BEEN
- 3 DETAINED AS WELL. IT GOES BEYOND THE ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION
- 4 COMMUNITY BUT ALSO MOVES INTO OTHER COMMUNITY OF COLOR THAT
- 5 LOOK LIKE LATINOS, INCLUDING RESIDENTS, CITIZENS, AND
- 6 UNDOCUMENTED HAVE ALL EXPRESSED FEARS AND BEING SINGLED OUT
- 7 AND INTIMIDATED BY THE PROFILING THAT IS GOING ON THROUGH THIS
- 8 ACTION. SO WE RESPECTFULLY ASK THE BOARD IF THEY WOULD
- 9 CONSIDER DELAYING THAT POLICY AT THIS TIME.

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11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU. OKAY. THANK YOU. ROBERTO?

- 13 ROBERTO CARBATAL: HELLO. YES. I'M BACK TO SPEAK ON FARADISM
- 14 AND I BROUGHT THIS TIME A SHOCK BOX, CALLED IT A T.E.N.S.
- 15 UNIT. THIS IS NOT SPECIFICALLY THE ONE I'M ASKING YOU TO
- 16 INCORPORATE INTEREST A PROGRAM THAT GETS PEOPLE OFF OF DRUGS
- 17 AND ALCOHOL USE USING ELECTRICITY, BUT I DID BRING SEVERAL
- 18 WEBSITES OF F.D.A.- APPROVED T.E.N.S. UNITS. I ONLY BROUGHT
- 19 FOUR PAGES. THERE'S MAYBE THOUSANDS OF PAGES. THIS IS JUST A
- 20 TOY YOU GET IN MEXICO, IT'S A LITTLE KIT. THIS IS WHAT I USED,
- 21 SOMETHING SIMILAR, TO GET OFF CRACK IN ONE DAY. IT'S YOU CAN
- 22 BARELY FEEL THIS THING. YOU CAN TURN IT UP UNTIL, BASICALLY,
- 23 YOU CAN'T STAND IT. YOU PAIR THAT WITH A BEHAVIOR YOU WANT TO
- 24 PUT INTO EXTINCTION AND, IN ONE DAY, IT GOT ME OFF OF CRACK,
- 25 SMOKING A LITTLE 20-DOLLAR ROCK. I MEAN, YOU COULD SAVE A LOT



- 1 OF MONEY. YOU'RE TALKING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS HERE FOR JAILS
- 2 AND STUFF LIKE THAT. THAT'S YOUR ANSWER FOR EVERYTHING IS
- 3 SHOOT 'EM, CAGE 'EM OR TRY TO FRIGHTEN THEM INTO GOING
- 4 STRAIGHT. IT DOESN'T WORK FOR CRACK. THIS WORKS GREAT FOR
- 5 CRACK BECAUSE IT'S A VERY SHORT-LIVED HIGH, AND YOU'RE ABLE TO
- 6 PAIR THE NEGATIVE ELECTRICAL REINFORCEMENT WITH THAT PLEASURE,
- 7 AND RE-IMPRINT IT INTO BEING A NEGATIVE. YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE
- 8 TO DO CRACK AGAIN. YOU'LL ACTUALLY GET PHYSICALLY DISGUSTED IF
- 9 YOU EVEN SMELL IT OR SEE IT. 60% OF THE PEOPLE TO 80% OF THE
- 10 PEOPLE ARE IN JAIL BECAUSE OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL-RELATED ISSUES.
- 11 THIS ALSO GOT ME OFF OF ALCOHOL IN TWO SESSIONS OUT OF THREE
- 12 AND CIGARETTES IN THREE DAYS. YOU GAVE BEFORE TO DR. LEAF A--
- 13 YOU TOLD DR. LEAF HERE IF HE WOULD INVESTIGATE IT. I ONLY HAVE
- 14 ONE COPY OF THIS. THIS IS A PUNISHMENT CURE. IT'S A BOOK
- 15 THAT'S AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY. LINDA MOOSE IS THE PRINCIPAL
- 16 LIBRARIAN THERE AND SHE CAN GIVE YOU A BOOK LIST. THERE'S A
- 17 BOOK LIST HERE. I ONLY BROUGHT A FEW OF THEM. I HAVE ONE FOR
- 18 EACH OF YOU ON THIS TREATMENT THAT'S AVAILABLE, YOU KNOW,
- 19 BASICALLY RIGHT NOW ONLY AT THE SHIFT CENTER. THEY'RE AT 1-
- 20 800-CRAVINGS IS THEIR PHONE NUMBER. EXCUSE ME JUST ONE SECOND.
- 21 WHAT I WOULD LIKE IS FOR, IF YOU COULD, YOU KNOW, TRY TO GET
- 22 THIS TO THE MEDIA AND DISSEMINATE THE INFORMATION ON IT,
- 23 DEVELOP INTEREST AND MAYBE GET SOME GROUPS TOGETHER, MAYBE
- 24 SOME FUNDS AVAILABLE. THE PEOPLE THAT USE THIS DON'T THINK
- 25 IT'S A BIG DEAL TO USE THIS AS A GAME, LET ALONE AS A THERAPY.



- 1 MEXICANS USE THIS ALL OVER MEXICO, SINCE WE WERE LITTLE KIDS,
- 2 THEY WALK AROUND GOING TOKUS, TOKUS, YOU GRAB THEM, SHOCK
- 3 YOURSELF, AND IT'S A MACHO THING. THERE'S HARDLY ANY MEXICAN
- 4 THAT HASN'T HEARD ABOUT THIS. YOU HAVE A LOT OF MEXICANS OVER
- 5 HERE. IF YOU TELL THEM THIS IS AVAILABLE TO THEM, THEY'LL MAKE
- 6 ONE OF THESE. THEY'LL DO IT THEMSELVES TO GET OFF OF DRUGS,
- 7 ALCOHOL, AND BASICALLY ANYTHING IF YOU READ ON THE PUNISHMENT
- 8 CURE. IT'S FOR HOMOSEXUALITY, SEXUAL DEVIANCY, WHICH IS
- 9 ANOTHER ISSUE. THERE'S A MANDATORY REPORTING LAW. PEOPLE CAN'T
- 10 GO TO DOCTORS TO SEEK THERAPY FOR THIS. THIS WOULD BE AN
- 11 ALTERNATIVE OF NO THERAPY AT ALL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR THE INFORMATION.
- 14 MR. PARADISE?

- 16 MR. PARADISE: HELLO. GOOD DAY. I COME BEFORE YOU AS SAVED L.A.
- 17 COUNTY LAW LIBRARY.COM. THE LAST TIME I APPEARED BEFORE YOU,
- 18 AND I'VE BEEN PRETTY AGGRESSIVE WITH THIS TRYING TO SAVE THIS
- 19 LIBRARY, IT'S A CULTURAL LANDMARK HERE, AND IT'S A NATIONAL
- 20 CULTURAL LANDMARK, IT'S ONE OF THE ONLY GREAT MUNICIPAL
- 21 LIBRARIES IN THE COUNTRY, AND IT IS THE LARGEST MUNICIPAL
- 22 LIBRARY IN THE COUNTRY OUTSIDE OF THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS. THE
- 23 LAST TIME I WAS HERE, I INDICATED TO YOU I WAS SO DESPERATE TO
- 24 KEEP THIS LIBRARY OPEN THAT I WOULD PROBABLY SUE THE LIBRARY
- 25 AND ITS BOARD OF TRUSTEES OR SUE THE LIBRARY TO SAVE IT FROM



- 1 ITS BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AND I DID THAT, TRIED TO GET IT INTO A
- 2 POLITICAL JUDICIAL CLIMATE TO BRING IT-- BRING THE MATTER TO
- 3 THE ATTENTION OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC, AND IT WASN'T GOING TO
- 4 SURVIVE EASILY IN THAT CLIMATE, SO I DROPPED IT, SO THE
- 5 LIBRARY WOULD BE SPARED THE COST. BUT, GENTLEMEN, I DON'T KNOW
- 6 IF YOU KNOW IT, WHETHER MS. MOLINA KNOWS IT, WHETHER MR.
- 7 ANTONOVICH KNOWS IT, WHETHER MR. KNABE KNOWS IT, WHETHER MR.
- 8 YAROSLAVSKY KNOWS IT, WHETHER MRS. BURKE KNOWS IT, BUT MANY OF
- 9 YOU ALMOST LOST YOUR BRANCH LAW LIBRARIES IF IT HADN'T BEEN
- 10 FOR STANDING ROOM ONLY IN THE LAST TWO LAW LIBRARY MEETINGS
- 11 THAT WE HAD. THE PEOPLE FINALLY SHOWED UP AND THEY WERE VERY
- 12 DISTURBED AND THEY POLITELY LET THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES KNOW
- 13 THAT THEY DIDN'T APPRECIATE THE CLOSING OF THE LIBRARIES,
- 14 THOSE BRANCHES, ALMOST IMMEDIATELY. SO THEY'VE SET IT OFF TO
- 15 THE END OF THE YEAR IF WE CAN MAKE UP THE DIFFERENCE OF THE
- 16 BUDGET DEFICIT THAT'S STEMMING FROM LAST YEAR AND INTO THIS
- 17 CURRENT FISCAL YEAR THAT'S COMING UP. AND WE'RE GOING TO RAISE
- 18 THAT MONEY. WE'RE GOING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO DO THE LAWYERS
- 19 AND THE GENERAL POPULATION IS GOING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO KEEP
- 20 THIS LAW LIBRARY OPEN. BUT, GENTLEMEN, WE HAVE DISCOVERED
- 21 THAT, APPARENTLY, YOU'VE GOTTEN A 45-MILLION-DOLLAR PROPERTY
- 22 TAX WINDFALL THAT'S COME YOUR WAY, AND WE WERE JUST WONDERING,
- 23 IF IT'S POSSIBLE, SINCE YOU DECIDED TO USE SOME OF THAT MONEY
- 24 FOR LAW-- FOR LIBRARIES, GENERALLY, IN THE COUNTY AND FOR
- 25 PARKS AND RECREATION, IF YOU COULD APPROPRIATE, OR DO YOU HAVE



- 1 ANY DISCRETION IN USING ANY AMOUNT OF THAT PROPERTY TAX
- 2 WINDFALL IN HELPING TO PRESERVE THE LIBRARY AT ITS CURRENT
- 3 RATE OF DEFICIT UNTIL WE CAN FIGURE OUT HOW TO RESOLVE SOME OF
- 4 THE PROBLEMS HERE? SO ONE OF THE SOLUTIONS THAT I'M GOING TO
- 5 BE WORKING ON VERY SOON IS USING SMALL CLAIMS FILINGS FOR AN
- 6 ADDITIONAL AMOUNT THAT COULD BE ADDED TO THE COFFERS OF THE
- 7 LAW LIBRARY. AS YOU KNOW, THE LIBRARY DOES NOT EXIST WITHOUT
- 8 FILING FEES FROM THE COURT, FILING FEES, BUT NOT ABOVE-- OKAY.
- 9 CAN I JUST SAY THIS? IF WE CAN POSSIBLY DO THAT, GET SMALL
- 10 CLAIMS FILING FEES, WE MAY BE ABLE TO KEEP THE LAW LIBRARY
- 11 OPEN. AND LET ME JUST SAY THIS. YOU GUYS DON'T LOOK ALL THAT
- 12 INTIMIDATED-- INTIMIDATING. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FEELS THAT
- 13 IT WOULD-- THAT THEY WOULD BE INTIMIDATED TO COME BEFORE YOU
- 14 AND ASK YOU FOR MORE MONEY. WHEN THEY COME, MAKE THEM FEEL
- 15 COMFORTABLE AND GIVE THEM THE MONEY. THANK YOU.

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- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. COULD YOU READ US INTO CLOSED
- 18 SESSION, PLEASE?

- 20 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
- 21 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
- 22 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-
- 23 1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
- 24 LITIGATION; AND ITEM CS-2, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS,
- 25 DAVID E. JANSSEN, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND DESIGNATED



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- 2 HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INTENDS TO
- 3 RECONVENE THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF TUESDAY, JUNE 22ND,
- 4 2004, IN CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT
- 5 TO THE POSITION OF COUNTY COUNSEL. THANK YOU.



1	REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE							
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4	I, Jennifer A. Hines, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number							
5	6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do							
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12	And I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript							
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15	County Board of Supervisors.							
16	I further certify that I am neither counsel for nor							
17	related to any party to said action, nor in anywise interested							
18	in the outcome thereof.							
19	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this							
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23 24	(Signature on file) JENNIFER A. HINES							
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